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## FLIGHT OF AUSTRIA'S MIDDLE CLASSES.

Relieving Professors and Students.

(Reuter's Service.)

Vienna, February 5.

The plight of the middle classes is so severe that American relief organisations have contributed \$200,000 to supply them, particularly intellectual workers, with foodstuffs. University professors and thousands of students are availing themselves of the offer. Americans are also feeding schoolchildren until June 1.

President Hainisch has telegraphed King George and President Millerand appealing for a grant of British and French credits. Meanwhile it has been officially telegraphed from Prague that Czechoslovakia has agreed to grant a credit of 500,000,000 Czechoslovak crowns, repayable in twenty years. The Austrian Finance Minister expressed the conviction that if other international credits are granted he will be able to stabilise the Austrian krona, as the national deficit is primarily an exchange deficit.

## MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' STRIKE AT BERLIN.

All Public Services Held up.

Berlin, February 5.

A strike of municipal employees at Berlin broke out this morning and completely paralysed the gas, water, and electricity supply services and the tramway traffic. The hospitals are without water and light. The city is without coal. Many factories and bakeries have been obliged to reduce working hours. Some have already closed down.

The railway strike has extended to the whole of Baden. Negotiations for the purpose of ending the strike have had no result.

## THE VATICAN ELECTION.

No Result after Six Pollings.

Rome, February 5.

The Cardinals within the Vatican, who have been balloting for the election of the Pope since the 2nd inst., had not reached a decisive vote at 5 o'clock this afternoon, despite six pollings. Great crowds throng St. Peter's Square watching the emission of smoke from the Vatican chimney.

A dark coloured hue signifies no result, while the fact of a final choice being reached will be signalled by whitish smoke. Cinematographers have taken up vantage-spots, with their machines focussed on the chimney in readiness to record the dramatic moment.

## THE IRISH QUESTION.

A Serious Situation.

London, February 5.

The seriousness of the Irish situation, arising out of the boundaries dispute, was indicated by a series of conferences at Downing Street between the British and South Irish Cabinet Ministers, including Mr. Collins, in the course of which Mr. Lloyd George specifically came from the country to participate. It has been arranged that Mr. Griffith shall come to England for a further conference to-morrow.

## JAPAN'S DEBT TO INDIA.

Baron Hayashi Addresses Students.

London, February 5.

The present condition of Japan formed the subject of an address by Baron Hayashi at the Indian Students' Union. His Excellency dwelt upon the marvellous development of the past sixty years, and mentioned that Japan received her guiding influence from India through China and Korea. Baron Hayashi dwelt on the ancient influence of India on China, and hoped that the Indian students present would not become agitators.

## THE SOUTH AFRICAN MINING DISPUTE.

Workers' Federation Decides to See General Smuts.

Johannesburg, February 5.

The Workers' Federation has decided to accept the invitation in General Smuts' letter to use the Government machinery for the purpose of investigating a way out of the present dispute. A deputation of five representatives of the Federation will meet General Smuts on the morning of the 4th inst.

## MURDER OF BRITISH FILM PRODUCER.

Los Angeles, February 5.

Mrs. Robbins, a former wife of Mr. William Desmond Taylor, the British film producer whose murder is recorded in the earlier telegrams, has been found here. She says she is unable to throw any light on the mystery of his death. She married Taylor, whose real name was William Cunningham Tanner, in 1901. He disappeared in 1908, after withdrawing money from a bank and telephoning her. She had never seen him again. She secured a divorce in 1912 and remarried in 1914.

(Other Telegrams on Pages 2, 3 and 5.)

## THE STRIKE SITUATION.

CARGO COOLIES STEADILY RETURNING.

STRIKER SENTENCED THIS MORNING.

Food Shortage at Macao.

Special Police.

While it would be unwise to be unduly optimistic, it is possible to-day to write more hopefully regarding the strike. The situation has changed for the better over the week-end.

The proclamation issued by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs on Saturday morning has had its expected effect; the promise of police protection to all men who returned to work found close upon two hundred ready to return yesterday morning and the number had been increased to 1,000 this forenoon. Of these something like 350 are unloading the Lahore and the Tenyo Maru which are lying alongside the wharves, some 200 are working on the Keystone State, half that number on the Jardine vessel Cheongshing, which is lying at West Point, while the remainder are loading coal into several vessels lying in the harbour.

### A Hopeful Sign.

That these coolies are being paid a deal more than the ordinary rate of wages is admitted by the owners. We hear the figure set down at \$1.50 a day, paid in advance, with food thrown in. What is particularly pleasing, however, is that many of them who, on Saturday, were anxious for police protection, are to-day quite unconcerned about being protected. That straw shows how the wind is blowing. It seems safe to say that, judging from the steady flow of coolies ready to resume work, the 1,000 will be greatly increased before the day is out. Their employment is being carefully systematised. The Harbour Department has taken charge of the matter, is notified by the owners as to where the coolies are most required and allocates them accordingly.

### Coal Coolies Hold Out.

The coal coolies so far have not shown any disposition to return to work, but the news that cargo coolies are handling coal may persuade them into considering their position carefully. As showing how coal is held up it may be remarked that the M. B. K. have 50 lighters containing 4,000 tons of coal lying alongside their godowns at Yau-mai.

The Japanese war vessel, Tone, is coaling to-day, despite the strike. The bunkering is being done by her own crew.

The number of vessels in the harbour to-day is 164 with a tonnage of 261,776. The British steamers number 79 with a tonnage of 135,860.

### Rumours As Usual.

The usual crop of rumours is abroad. One credits the strikers in Canton with preventing the despatch of food by train. Yet another speaks of the arrival, by a steamer now lying in Junk Bay, of three crews for vessels in the harbour. These remain unverified, though as regards crew information, we are advised, may be available in a day or two. Evidently something is afoot.

### A Curious Business.

It would be interesting, by the way, to learn what impelled the railway authorities to give special rates to strikers travelling to Canton. The usual fare to non-offending passengers who are peacefully pursuing their ordinary occupations is \$1.70; the fare to strikers who are endeavouring to hold up the whole machinery of commerce in the Colony has been reduced to \$1.40. There may be some reason for this tenderness toward strikers, but it is not apparent on the face of it. That special rates should be granted by a Government railway to men who are escaping from the Colony in order to help forward an effort to disturb the whole life of the Colony seems a curious business.

Some members of the British Legion—both British and American members—having offered their services to the Government have become special policemen and were on duty at the West Point end of the Praya on Saturday night and last night. They were in plain clothes but carried a baton and whistle.

Something like 80 members of the Ex-Active Servicemen's Association have also offered their services to the Government for the protection of law and order, in the event of trouble.

### Seaman Sent to Gaol.

The legal status of the Seamen's Union was decided in a case before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning. Henceforth persons found in possession of evidence of membership of the Union which has been declared unlawful are liable to prosecution under the law.

Tong Lun, 21, unemployed seaman, was charged with being a member of an unlawful society, to wit, the Seamen's Union.

The Magistrate:—In what way did he exhibit his membership?

The prosecuting Police Officer (Inspector Caygill):—He was in the street on Saturday morning with this stick between the laps of his jacket.

(The article produced was a badge containing eight Chinese characters and was intended as an identification pass for members of the Union.)

Evidence was given by a Chinese detective to the effect that he was on strike duty on the Praya in the vicinity of the Wing Lok Street wharf on Saturday morning when, at about eight o'clock, he saw the defendant and three others walking up and down the length of that part of the seawall for over an hour. Their conduct appeared to witness to be so suspicious that, after keeping them under inspection for that period, he walked up and announced his intention of searching them. The three other men who were with the defendant immediately moved off, but the defendant was taken to the Police Station on a refusal to submit to search. At the Station the badge in question was taken from the breast pocket of the man's coat.

Questioned in regard to the contradiction which this part of evidence gave to his opening statement, Inspector Caygill said that he was not on duty in the charge room when the defendant was brought in, and he was given to understand that the badge was stuck between the laps of the man's coat in a half-exposed manner.

The defendant said that he did not refuse to submit to the search, that the detective did search him, and overlooked the badge which all the time was in the breast pocket of his coat. He was not a member of the Union although a striker. He was employed as a substitute for a Filipino stevedore aboard the Taiyo Maru, and when the strike came was given the pass and sent to Canton in conjunction with the other seamen. His reason for returning to Hongkong was to pass the Chinese New Year with a number of clansmen. Up in Canton he carried this badge as a pass and forgot to throw it away on returning to the Colony.

The Magistrate: Why did you patrol the Praya between eight and nine o'clock on Saturday morning?

Defendant: We were walking westwards after having been into an eating-house.

His Worship: Very suspicious this patrolling the Praya with this badge sticking in your coat. It is quite clear you are a member of the Seamen's Union and used this badge for some unlawful purpose. You are fined \$100 or four weeks' imprisonment, and in addition to this you will have to do a further two months with hard labour.

## How a Striker Fell Into a Trap.

That the police are doing their best to counteract the activities of the trouble-mongers was indicated in a case before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning. When Inspector Watt, of the Detective Department, in charging a Chinese with disorderly behaviour and with intimidation, mentioned that these people were very "cute" and to catch them red-handed the Department had been compelled to resort to the ruse as outlined below:

It was said in evidence that the defendant, who possesses a very youthful appearance, and bore the same surname as that of the prisoner in the preceding case, accosted two men who landed from a sampan on the Praya at Shek-tong-shui. The defendant thought that they were seamen. To each of them the defendant in turn enquired the name of their respective ships, the nature of their employment, and receiving the reply that they were cook and tallyman respectively, was satisfied as to their profession, and instantly demanded to know whether they were strikers, and if they were so, did they possess the pass issued by the Union.

On receiving a reply in the negative he was alleged to have threatened to seize and bring them before the "Union authorities." The fixed manner in which they regarded him made him uneasy, and, as he admitted in Court, he suspected that they were "blacklegs" and wished to do him bodily harm. He did not know that they were detectives until they told him, and he did not offer any resistance when arrested.

"Thinking that they were seamen employed as substitutes for strikers," the defendant told the Court, "I was anxious to get away after having that conversation with them and when they offered to walk with me, I told them that I might be arrested if the detectives saw me in their company."

The Magistrate: If it was a friendly conversation why were you afraid of them?

Defendant:—They have been substitutes and want to do me bodily harm.

If you had enough spirit to go and accost them, why were you afraid of them?—They regarded me so fixedly that I became frightened.

His Worship: The second charge of disorderly behaviour is dismissed. The evidence of intimidation is not very strong. Inspector Watt said that the circumstances of the strike had been extensively published in the newspapers. Scallywags, such as the defendant, were employed by the Seamen's Club to coerce people, and of course the defendant had no right to threaten. Previous to this the police tried to catch them red-handed. "They were too cute and so we thought that this was the best way to help the public," the Inspector concluded.

His Worship adjourned the case until to-morrow to consider his decision regarding the remaining charge, which was worded in the charge sheet as follows:—Tong Hong is charged for that on the 4th February, he unlawfully did threaten with intent to cause the complainant to do an act which he is not legally bound to do, to wit, to desert from boarding steamers without the permission of the seamen's union.

### Food Shortage in Macao.

In consequence of the situation caused by the Hongkong seamen's strike, the Government at Macao (says the Telegraph correspondent there) has caused investigations to be made into the food supplies and has gathered that there is only about a fortnight's supply of rice in the Colony, whilst the flour, beef and pork is only sufficient to last a few days.

As a result of these investigations, Mr. Cardoso, the newly-appointed Secretary for Chinese Affairs, invited the leading merchants to a meeting at Government House, at which the Governor and Harbour Master were present, and at which it was decided that the Government would finance the merchants and render them every facility to buy and import rice and flour from Hongkong.

Mr. S. M. Lopes, Government civil engineer, was appointed to superintend this matter and he arrived in Hongkong to-day together with a few merchants.

On Saturday, a junk from Kowloon arrived at Macao with 200 pigs and other provisions aboard. The junk was detained by the authorities, with the intention of the Government purchasing the cargo for the inhabitants, but on learning that the goods were intended for Hongkong they were immediately released and allowed to be exported to Hongkong. The Government is now endeavouring to charter a steamer to import oxen, pigs and poultry from Hainan.

Some of the Macao rice merchants and firewood dealers, on hearing that prices have risen in Hongkong, increased their charges but on being notified that the Government would commandeer their goods and sell them on the merchants' behalf at a moderate profit, a drop in prices occurred. The goods are still, however, higher in price than usual.

### A Canton Comment.

In the course of a leading article, the Canton Times of to-day says:—

The Hongkong papers give graphic accounts of the intolerable conditions brought about by the present seamen's strike. Cargo is held up, steamers cannot make their sailings, food supplies are becoming scarce, and thousands of men are idling around out of work. But Hongkong is not the only place affected by the strike. In Wuchow, Peking and other places where food supplies are usually collected and shipped to Hongkong, things are in a bad shape. And, if the strike continues for any length of time, Canton will also be greatly affected. When cities are so closely related as Hongkong and Canton it is impossible to have such a situation in one city without seriously affecting the other. Therefore, it is in the interest of Canton as well as Hongkong to have this strike settled as speedily as possible.

The general feeling here is that the strike is Hongkong's business, and Hongkong settles it. Governor Chen at the invitation of the British Consul did what was requested of him and now all the thanks he gets for his help is abuse from the foreign press.

There have been several items in the foreign press written by malicious persons who would like to have the public believe the Canton Government is in some way instigating the strikers. The stories of Presidential Tea Parties, the assistance offered by Dr. C. C. Wu, and other yarns of a similar nature and origin are given ready credence in Hongkong. This attempt to cloud the real issue and make the simple demand for higher wages on the part of the seamen appear to have some political significance is like making a mountain out of a molehill.

There is an easy and open method for solving the deadlock. Let the shipowners grant a certain increase, (they offered to do so in the beginning and then withdrew their offer) get the men back to work; and then settle the whole question by referring it to arbitration. Arbitration may take some time but if the men are back at work trade could go on while the Arbitration Board holds its sessions. This appears to us to be the only solution.

Canton would like to have the strike settled for the number of Cantonese in Hongkong will suffer hardship if the strike is not settled soon. Then the strike seriously interferes with Canton. Merchants here cannot get their goods, or export their products. Far from being pleased over the plight of our neighbour we view the matter as a disaster to ourselves. There are many unions in Canton closely related to the Hongkong unions. If the strike should spread, no one can say where it will stop. We have too much powder in our own house to find any pleasure in the strike that is flying into our face from the fire in our neighbour's house.

## Strike Chairman's Letter.

The following, from Canton, dated 2nd, Feb. 1922, reached the South China Morning Post yesterday.—To the Hongkong Newspaper Union.

Gentlemen.—We have the honour and earnestness to inform you that our Seamen's Union was searched ten o'clock last night by the soldiers formally sent by the Hongkong Government, and all of the documents and furniture were taken away back to the Police Station.

We recognize that this action is seriously savage, and it seems to us that our union is illegally disbanded.

We, the seamen, make the strike this time only to demand the increasing of the salaries, corresponding to the growing height of economical life.

We carefully maintain the order, and wait quietly for the decision of this problem by returning to Canton. We believe that we have no bad feeling with the Hongkong Government, but with a view to the pressure of what the Government set to us, it is clear that the Government makes the same devil with the capitalists.

We have no any hope for the revival for our seamen life questions. We hope you basing on the justice and humanity inform this unfortunate accident to all the newspapers in order that all the people may put it into the just consideration.

Chairman of the Seamen Strike General Quarter.

P. S. CHAN.

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## News in To-day's New Advertisements.

At all shows to-day "The Silver Horde" will be shown at the Coronet while "The Secret Garden" features on the bill at the Kowloon Theatre.—Page 12.

The Daily Farm Coy. state that despite the Seamen's Strike every possible step has been taken to ensure food supplies at regular prices.—Page 7.

Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. advise consignees of cargo per motor ship Glenamoy that all Hongkong cargo is being carried to Shanghai.—Page 5.

Mrs. Morita is now conducting the Massara Hall in Wyndham Street.—Page 4.

Consignees of Cargo per s.s. Kina, Messrs. Manners and Backhouse, agents, are notified that all Hongkong Cargo is being carried on to Shanghai.—Page 5.

Consignees of cargo per the Kamo maru and the Miyebashi maru, both from Europe, are informed that cargo for Hongkong is being taken to Shanghai.—Page 5.

The Bank Line advises consignees of cargo by the s.s. Ocean Monarch that Hongkong cargo is being taken up to Shanghai.—Page 4.

An issue of new bearer Bonds carrying six per cent is advertised by the Banque de l'Indo Chine.—Page 4.

Entries for the Colony Billiard Championships are asked for by the V. R. C.—Page 4.

Mr. Edward Lumaden Hosie has been appointed secretary of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.—Page 4.

Mrs. S. Uzumoye has opened a massage establishment at 10, Queen's Road Central.—Page 4.

A special meeting of the China Coast Officers' Guild is to be held to-morrow afternoon.—Page 4.

The transfer books of the Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd. will be closed from February 22 to 28.—Page 4.

The cargo by the Tenyo Maru is being discharged into the Kowloon Godowns.—Page 4.

A Ball in aid of the S.P.C.A. is being held on Monday, February 20.—Page 4.

## To-day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand under the 1914 gold standard is 1.00.

The Hongkong dollar is 1.00.

The Shanghai dollar is 1.00.

The Canton dollar is 1.00.

The Peking dollar is 1.00.

The Tientsin dollar is 1.00.

The Hankow dollar is 1.00.

The Harbin dollar is 1.00.

The Manchuria dollar is 1.00.

The Korea dollar is 1.00.

The Japan dollar is 1.00.

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## LEAGUE CRICKET.

## C.R.C. v. R.G.A.

R.G.A. amply avenged their defeat by C.R.C. when on Saturday, in the return match, they dismissed the Chinese for 80. Davies was in wonderful bowling form, and helped by the pitch of the wickets he played havoc. Having a boundary hit off his first ball, he bowled three maidens, and then with four wickets, three in one over. In his last over a maiden, he got two wickets. C.R.C.'s first wicket fell at 10. Then the board read 2 for 10, 9 for 25, 7 for 35, 8 for 40, 10 for 50. Bagnall behind the wickets gave no extras. R.G.A. got the runs with the loss of one wicket. Their leading batsmen did not come off, but some of the others hit out lustily. Scores:

## C.R.C.

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| N. Sze-kwong, b Davies     | 4 |
| W. Lock, c Stevens         | 1 |
| Graham                     | 1 |
| G. Lee, b Davies           | 1 |
| C. Choo, b Davies          | 1 |
| J. Wong, b Davies          | 1 |
| G. Hall, b Davies          | 1 |
| W. Gitting, b Davies       | 1 |
| M. K. Lo, b Davies         | 1 |
| H. Hunt, c Skeet, b Graham | 1 |
| H. Ching, b Davies         | 1 |
| A. J. Row, not out         | 1 |

## Total

Bowling analysis—

|        |   |   |    |   |
|--------|---|---|----|---|
| Davies | 7 | 5 | 5  | 1 |
| Graham | 6 | 2 | 25 | 1 |

## R.G.A.

|                              |    |
|------------------------------|----|
| Capt. Oliver, b Ching        | 1  |
| Sze-kwong                    | 1  |
| L. Chester, run out          | 31 |
| Bdr. Baker, b N. Sze-kwong   | 31 |
| Major Bagnall, b Ching       | 1  |
| Capt. Davies, b Ching        | 12 |
| Sgt. Stevens, b N. Sze-kwong | 12 |
| Capt. Davies, b N. Sze-kwong | 32 |
| L. Parker, b Lee             | 32 |
| Sgt. Stevens, b N. Sze-kwong | 1  |
| Capt. Davies, b N. Sze-kwong | 1  |
| L. Graham, b N. Sze-kwong    | 1  |
| Extras                       | 13 |

## Total

Bowling analysis—

|              |    |   |    |   |
|--------------|----|---|----|---|
| N. Sze-kwong | 12 | 1 | 25 | 1 |
| Lee          | 9  | 1 | 25 | 1 |
| Ching        | 10 | 1 | 61 | 2 |

## L.R.C. v. Craigengower.

L.R.C. Recreation Club beat Craigengower 140 runs, not a bag, in the 20-over match, played at 22 and another at 25. The first wicket fell at 10. Then the board read 2 for 10, 9 for 25, 7 for 35, 8 for 40, 10 for 50. Bagnall behind the wickets gave no extras. R.G.A. got the runs with the loss of one wicket. Their leading batsmen did not come off, but some of the others hit out lustily. Scores:

## L.R.C.

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| A. H. Brough, c O'Neil, b Omar | 1  |
| S. A. H. Ismail, b Major       | 31 |
| S. H. Ismail, b Omar           | 31 |
| J. S. Currie, c Wilson, b Omar | 1  |
| Major                          | 12 |
| A. J. Arnold, c Omar, b Major  | 16 |
| D. Kitchell, c Omar, b Major   | 1  |
| Dixon                          | 1  |
| S. D. Ismail, b Omar           | 1  |
| M. H. Abbas, c Jex, b Omar     | 31 |
| D. Brough, b Abbas             | 31 |
| O. Ismail, b Omar              | 1  |
| S. A. Ismail, not out          | 26 |
| Extras                         | 7  |

## Total

Bowling analysis—

|          |    |   |    |   |
|----------|----|---|----|---|
| Omar     | 17 | 4 | 32 | 4 |
| Y. Abbas | 8  | 1 | 20 | 1 |
| Major    | 12 | 4 | 33 | 4 |
| Dixon    | 3  | 1 | 9  | 1 |
| Bradbury | 2  | 1 | 16 | 1 |

## Craigengower.

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| S. Jex, run out                     | 0  |
| J. P. Wilson, c Kitchell, b Arculli | 0  |
| R. Bass, c S. A. Ismail, b Arculli  | 4  |
| B. W. Bradbury, b Arculli           | 4  |
| Y. Abbas, b Arculli                 | 26 |
| U. Omar, c Abbas, b Currie          | 2  |
| W. Hall, b Arculli                  | 4  |
| E. W. Major, b Arculli              | 0  |
| A. Fattydad, c and b Currie         | 0  |
| P. Dixon, not out                   | 0  |
| Extras                              | 4  |

## Total

Bowling analysis—

|             |   |   |    |   |
|-------------|---|---|----|---|
| Arculli     | 5 | 5 | 13 | 6 |
| M. H. Abbas | 4 | 1 | 23 | 1 |
| Currie      | 1 | 1 | 2  | 2 |

Kowloon 2nd XI v. Police.  
The Police beat Kowloon's second string 93 runs, due principally to the good batting of Alexander, R. Earnshaw and others. Kowloon lost four wickets for eleven. Then Evelyn and Russell made a stand and with substantial contributions from the late-comers.

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## CHINA'S FUTURE.

Washington, Feb. 3.

Only two treaties will be based on the decisions of the Conference affecting China, one dealing with the Customs Tariff and the other dealing with the Open Door and respect for China's sovereignty, independence and integrity. The remaining resolutions will be presented to a final plenary sitting as a series of joint declarations of policy. A plenary sitting will be held on Monday when President Harding will deliver an address, and the heads of delegations will reply.

Washington, Feb. 4.

The sixth Plenary Session was held this morning. Secretary Hughes presented the General Far Eastern Treaty, embodying Senator Root's Open Door resolution. The text of the Treaty follows closely and often identically the language of the resolution already adopted by the Conference. The Treaty was approved on a roll call of the nine Powers without debate. The declaration of China not to alienate any portion of her territory was put on record. Senator Underwood then presented the Chinese Tariff Treaty.

The Conference adopted a resolution authorising the establishment of a Board of Reference in China, to which will be referred any questions arising in connection with the execution of the Open Door Treaty for investigation and report to the Conference.

Likewise it approved the Tariff Treaty. After speeches by Senator Underwood and Mr. Alfred Sze, Senator Underwood declared that the present disturbed conditions in China made it manifestly impossible for China to exercise in full her administrative functions. The effect of the Treaty would undoubtedly be to double the existing revenues of China received from the Maritime Customs. Mr. Sze expressed China's appreciation, but said the proposed arrangement could be regarded as only a temporary measure looking to final Chinese tariff autonomy.

The Tariff Treaty follows closely the provisions of the tariff resolution previously adopted. It provides that a Revision Commission meet at Shanghai immediately to revise the tariff in the basis of a five per cent. "effective." Revision will be completed within four months and become effective two months later. A special conference of the signatory Powers will meet within three months to revise the existing treaties and permit the imposition of a surtax to abolish the likin tax. Periodical revisions are authorised every four years. The Powers pledge themselves to effective equality treatment and opportunity in all pertaining to Chinese tariffs and the principle of uniformity on land and maritime frontiers.

The Conference approved of a resolution providing that the obligations to foreign investors of the Chinese railways be fulfilled. Applause greeted the announcement that Japan and China have agreed to form a treaty to settle the Shantung question.

Much time was taken in reading statements of the positions of the various Powers on Far Eastern questions.

Senator Lodge read a supplement to the Pacific Treaty defining its scope so as not to include the principal islands of Japan.

The plenary session closed with a speech from Mr. Balfour, who said that, despite the fact that the Conference has, seemingly travelled all over the globe considering trifling details, great moral questions had been met and any nation which in future sought to transgress the principles laid down at the Conference regarding China would be considered outside the comity of nations. Mr. Balfour maintained that the decisions of the Conference would produce a new era over the entire world, especially the part in which the great maritime Powers were deeply interested. He declared that China must work out her own changes in accordance to the changes of the changing world. All we can do is to help her. She can gain a little from our advice and in the end must rely on herself.

M. Sarraut followed, paying a tribute to the work of the Conference as a great example for history.

Mr. Schanzer and others spoke and the Conference then adjourned till Monday when the treaties will be signed.

## Sovereignty and Independence Recognised.

The general Far Eastern Treaty approved at to-day's plenary session recognises the sovereignty and independence of China and pledges the Powers to make no treaties impairing the same and not to support agreements by their nationals tending to create spheres of influence in China. The Chinese Government agrees not to permit discrimination of her railways against foreigners. The Treaty provides for full and frank communication between the Powers whenever in the opinion of anyone of them a situation arises which demands application of the principles of the Treaty.

## The Twenty-One Demands.

The Twenty-one Demands were disposed of to-day. Mr. Wang accepted Baron Shidehara's withdrawal of group five and declared he would reserve China's remaining objections for future discussion. Each of the nine Powers then made a statement setting forth their respective attitudes to the Twenty-one Demands. These statements will be included in the minutes of the Conference.

## The Naval Agreement.

It is expected that President Harding will submit the Naval Agreement and other treaties to the Senate in a few days after signature.

## Powers Pacific Possessions.

The Morning Post correspondent at Washington, regarding the suggestions that Dutch and Portuguese possessions in the Pacific should be guaranteed by the four Great Powers, says it has now been decided that Britain, America, Japan and France shall exchange identical notes with the Dutch and Portuguese Governments maintaining the status quo of all the Powers with Pacific interests.

## Shantung Treaty Signed.

Washington, Feb. 5.

The Shantung Treaty has been signed in the Pan American Building. Admiral Kato, Baron Shidehara and Mr. Hanihara signed for Japan, and Mr. Alfred Sze, Mr. Koo and Mr. Wang signed for China.

Mr. Balfour and Secretary Hughes were present.

America's reception of the completed work of the Conference is undoubtedly one of satisfaction. The irreconcilables have lost much influence through the cordial and felicitous atmosphere marking the closing scene of a historic international gathering which culminated in the signing of the Shantung Agreement thus removing the main plank of the anti-Japanese campaigners and also one of the big rocks on which the Wilson League of Nations projects foundered. The signature of the Agreement was presumably advanced in order to enable Mr. Balfour to witness the conclusion of the work to which he and Mr. Hughes have largely contributed.

After the signing the British delegates bade farewell to President Harding. Mr. Balfour assured the President that he had the greatest satisfaction with the success of the Conference which had demonstrated the feasibility of the conference method of dealing with international questions. Therein lies its success, the potentialities of which may quite conceivably outweigh its actual and substantial accomplishments as foreshadowing a wider field of international co-operation.

Admittedly more could be done if the Conference were extended. The Chinese Eastern Railway question supplies an example of the difficulties facing the Conference. The Committee to which the question has been referred has advised the Inter-Allied Technical Commission, that it should be granted powers like the supervision of finances and the control of Chinese police, but on the ground that this would be an infringement of Chinese sovereignty. It was finally decided to leave ordinary diplomatic machinery to find a compromise. It is a matter for satisfaction that questions of this kind, also broader world-wide problems which are at present unsolved, are not prejudged and the door to progress is in no wise barred. Thus the hopefuls regard the present gathering as merely one of a series of future Conferences.



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## BRITISH FILM PRODUCER'S MYSTERIOUS DEATH.

Los Angeles, Feb. 3.

The mysterious murder is reported of William Desmond Taylor, a British ex-service man and producer of many well-known film plays. He was found dead seated at his writing desk in his house. A bullet had passed through the back of his neck downwards and pierced his heart. The police declare that robbery was not the motive as no valuables are missing.

Los Angeles, Feb. 4.

The murder of Taylor is proving a most baffling and film like affair. The latest theory concerns a recent "dope party," at which two film actresses quarrelled and fought over Taylor who was not present. It is suggested that one woman, to whose advances Taylor failed to respond, employed a professional gun-man to carry out the murder.

San Francisco, Feb. 3.

The second trial of Fatty Arbuckle has ended as the previous one did in disagreement of the jury of whom ten against two now favour conviction. The prosecution foresees a third trial.

Los Angeles, Feb. 5.

The inquest on Taylor terminated abruptly "for police purposes." The verdict was that he was shot by an unknown person. The District Attorney states that in view of the large number of jurors voting in favour of conviction Arbuckle must be retried.

## RAILROADS FOR FARMERS.

Washington, Feb. 4.

Secretary of Commerce Hoover giving evidence before the Inter-State Commission, declared that one thousand million dollars expended on railroads, in the form of a Government credit would more greatly assist farmers than double the amount loaned abroad with the idea of increasing farm exports. He further advocated a reduction of railroad freight rates for the economic betterment of the country.

## ALLIED DEBT TO AMERICA.

Washington, Feb. 4.

The Government has withdrawn its objections to the terms of the Allied Debt Funding Bill which the Representatives have now passed with the Senate's amendments. The measure will now be submitted for the President's approval.

## AMERICAN ARMY REDUCTION.

Washington, Feb. 4.

General Pershing as the Chief of Staff of the Army has transmitted to Congress a Bill to reduce the army officers from seventeen thousand to twelve thousand.

(Continued on page 5 and 6.)

## V. R. C. REGATTA.

The third scratch regatta arranged by the Victoria Recreation Club will be held at Black Boulder Point on the last Sunday in this month. The events include B. and C. Class Fours, Mixed Fours with fixed seat, Senior Fours, Tub Sculling and Ladies Pair. The following are the crews for the B. and C. Class Fours:

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The annual V.R.C. regatta is to be held on the 15th and 16th of April. Invitations will be sent to Canton, Shanghai, Tientsin and Singapore to send crews to compete. Arrangements for the billiard championship of the Colony are being put in hand. The entries close on Friday, the 17th February.

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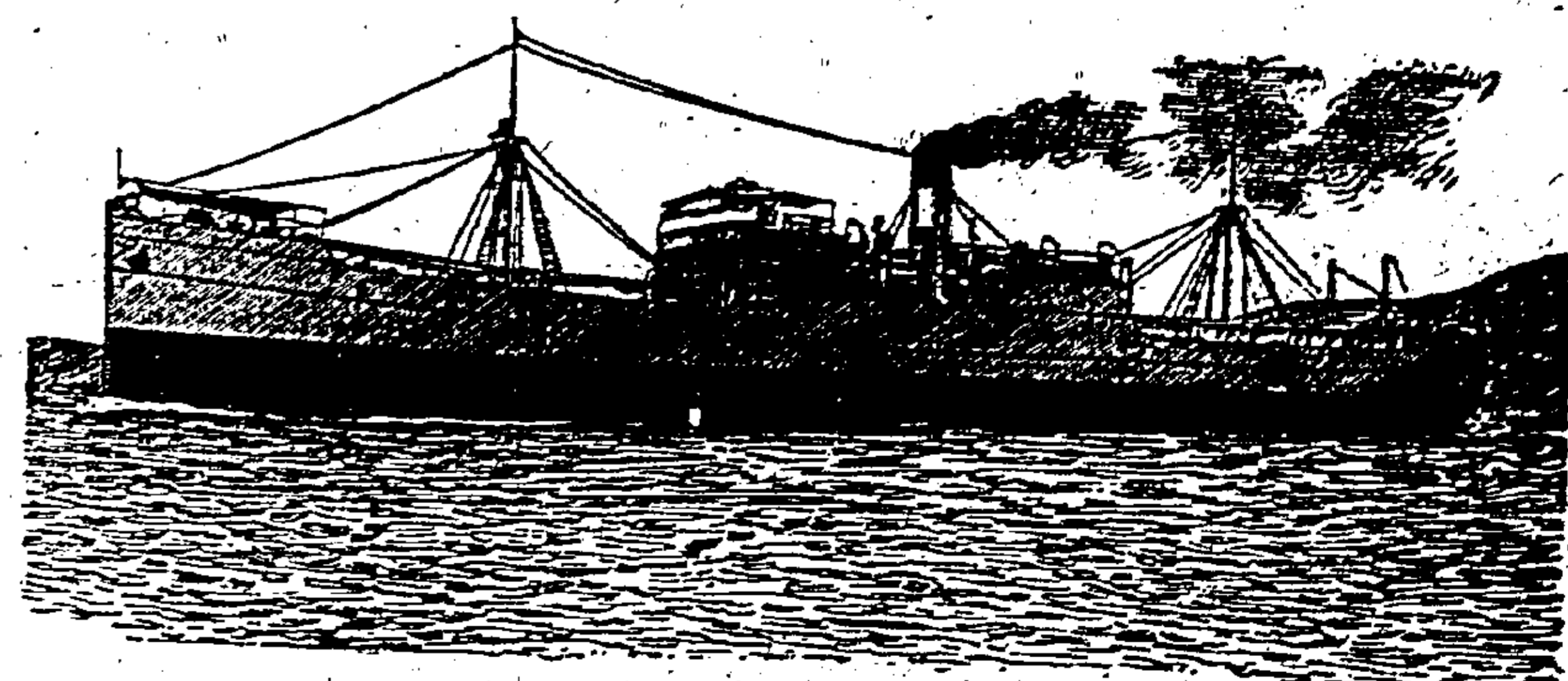
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The Coastal Farmers' Co-operative Society of New South Wales had a turn-over of no less than £4,790,895 in the year ended March 31st, 1931. The net surplus on the year's operations was £31,629. The business was centred chiefly in dairy produce. Marketing in London is conducted through the Australian Producers' Wholesale Co-operative Federation. During the year under review this agency advantageously disposed of consignments of eggs, cheese and fruit. Shipments of autumn butter are in transit. Apilists, encouraged by the progressive co-operative organisations in the poultry section, are supporting the Society with both consignments and share capital.

## SOUTH WALES COAL EXPORT TRADE.

Mr. R. O. Sanderson, president of the Cardiff Chamber of Commerce, at a meeting, when the question of providing facilities for the expansion in the coal export trade formed the subject of discussion, said that the matter of the moment was that of the delays at the docks. He pointed out that a joint committee of the Chambers of Commerce and the coal-owners had had the matter in hand, and were now collecting the necessary data in order to be in a position to submit specific evidence to the railway authorities when that committee met. Mr. Felix Pole, general manager of the Great Western Railway, said it was found that the terms of reference were limited to that of a comparison of the position in South Wales with that of other ports in the country. It was now, however, proposed to widen these terms of reference so that discussions might take place on all questions relating to the coal trade, such as dock charges, &c., regular working of vessels, and prompt loading of vessels. In regard to the last matter it appeared to be now generally admitted that the root of the evil was the present system of working only two shifts instead of three. He pointed out that it had been ascertained that the exports of coal from South Wales as cargo to foreign destinations last month were at the rate of 23 million tons per annum, as compared with 26 million tons in the record year of 1913. Great sacrifices had, and were being made to expand the export trade and recapture the lost markets, and to his mind it would be a sad reflection if, after all their anxieties and experience, any conditions were permitted to stand in the way of such a wage producer and so great an economic factor as export of coal. The three-shift system was regarded as necessary to cope with the expanding export trade. The president said there appeared to be an objection on the part of the men to night work, but he believed that if it was brought home to them the their refusal meant the stoppage of the collieries and other work rendered idle they would persist in their present attitude.

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## PRIEST'S BOOK PUT ON THE INDEX.

A Rome message states: A curious case has cropped up of a religious work, written by a priest, being "put on the Index," not on account of the text, but for the accompanying illustrations. The author of the book is a Flemish priest, the Rev. Cyril Verschaeve, and the subject is the Passion of Christ. The illus-

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Author of the work, A. Bert Sarvas is also a Fleming who has acquired some reputation in his own country as a painter of sacred subjects. His style, however, is too realistic for the ecclesiastical authorities, who find the drawings for the Verschaeve volumes tinged with a bold and little devout realism which they consider undignified and improper. So the work has been placed on the Index.

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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## LABOUR UNREST.

Johannesburg, Feb. 2.  
 The public was relieved by to-day's developments. The tram service was resumed and power was again available for industries. The miners striking at Witbank have asked the Federation to arrange an interview with Premier Smuts with a view to terminating the strike. On the contrary the representatives of the unions held a meeting at Germiston and demanded that the Federation call a general strike on 4th February. Five pickets have been arrested.

The solidarity of the strikers has been broken by the action of the moderate section in the shape of the Germiston Strike Committee repudiating their leaders and asking Premier Smuts to receive a deputation to consider the appointment of an arbitration court. Premier Smuts consented, but the crowd imprisoned the committee-men in their office, and they were not released till they gave their word of honour not to visit Premier Smuts.

Berlin, Feb. 5.  
 Despite the Government's order threatening the strikers with dismissal the position is worsening. The railwaymen of Frankfurt on Main have decided to cease work and the movement is extending to other places. Krupp's works at Magdeburg have closed down, lacking coal. The Berlin gas and electric workers, builders and telegraphists have struck.

The executives of all general trade unions have jointly issued a manifesto denouncing the railwaymen's strike, first for failing to consult other unions regarding common action, secondly imperilling the worker's living conditions and thirdly producing a catastrophe for foreign policy on the eve of the Genoa Conference and urging the strikers to resume immediately.

Berlin, Feb. 3.  
 The strike situation is more serious. The railway repair shopmen have now joined in, and it is estimated that a quarter of a million men are out throughout the country. The Berlin postal employees and telegraphists are showing signs of participation, also municipal employees. Prominent industrial magnates are conferring with the Government with a view to mediating in the railway strike.

One hundred and forty-five thousand coalminers have struck work in Czechoslovakia.

## CARGO PILFERING.

London, Feb. 4.  
 The report of the Pilferage Committee appointed by the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom states that in the year after the armistice the claims paid by shipowners exceeded the pre-war payment average by twentyfold. It deplores the lukewarmness of the police in assisting in the detection of thieves and the tracing of receivers. The report recommends a greater use of tallies, closer watching, restriction of access to the cargo holds of ships while in port and that the authorities should accept full responsibility for all cargo not removed from the transit sheds within seventy-two hours of landing.

## A SILESIAN PLOT.

Paris, Feb. 3.  
 According to the papers, the French Ambassador at Berlin has handed the German Government a note demanding compensation and adequate punishment for all concerned in the plot resulting in a well organized grenade and machine-gun attack against a French barracks in Upper Silesia, which ended in a score of casualties amongst the French troops.—Vols.

## THE GENOA CONFERENCE.

Paris, Feb. 4.  
 At a meeting of the Foreign Affairs Committee M. Poincare said he was not going to Genoa unless the Conference's programme was previously decided and conditions laid down. He gave as an example the Soviet's acceptance of the invitation which apparently did not include admission to the conditions at first reached.

## AMERICA AND IRELAND.

Washington, Feb. 4.  
 Mr. Rainey has introduced in the House of Representatives a resolution proposing the appointment of an American Ambassador to the Irish Free State.

## WOMEN'S VOTES IN INDIA.

Delhi, Feb. 5.  
 The Legislative Assembly has adopted by 41 votes to 26 a non-official resolution enfranchising women in the Legislative Assembly elections at Bombay and Madras which are the only places where the suffrage exists. Sir Vincent Home, a member, intimated that the Government would abide by the decision of the House.

## INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL.

London, Feb. 4.  
 At Edinburgh in rugby Scotland drew with Wales, 9-9.  
 At Wrexham in soccer Wales beat Scotland by 2 to 1.

## HUMPHREYS ESTATE.

## A Successful Year.

The ordinary annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Humphreys Estate and Finance Company, Ltd., was held at the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday morning. Mr. H. Humphreys presided and there were also present the Rev. Father Robert, the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Messrs. J. Scott Hamilton, W. L. Pattenden, J. M. Alves (director), G. Rapp (secretary), F. W. Stapleton, M. S. Northcote, F. M. Ellis, Percy Smith, D. E. Clark, M. Fernandes, A. P. Samy, W. Morley, J. Hennessey Seth and J. D. Humphreys (shareholders).

After the Chairman's speech (which was published on Saturday), Mr. Northcote said: "Mr. Chairman, I have much pleasure in according the adoption of the Report and Accounts as presented, and I think that shareholders will agree with me when I describe them as entirely satisfactory, showing, as they do, the best result for the past twenty years in the history of the Company."

An examination of the Balance Sheets of the Company for the last five years reveals a steady improvement in its dividend earning capacity, which is, when all is said, what the ordinary investor looks for, better and better dividends each succeeding year.

In 1917 the dividend was at the rate of 5% on the capital. In 1918 and 1919 this rose to 6%, while in 1920 it rose to 8%, the same rate being maintained for 1921 with an additional 2% by way of bonus.

Admitting that these results have been materially assisted by profits derived from sales of property, yet, if we eliminate this source of revenue, a source which cannot annually be relied upon, we still find steady improvement, since without this assistance the Company's net revenue has annually increased. The net profit exclusive of sales and without deduction of the amount shown for General Managers' fees, which would of course without this source have been much less, works out for 1917 and 1918 at slightly over 4½%, improving in 1919 to 5½%, in 1920 to something over 6% and in 1921 to just 7%—progress which cannot but be pleasant to shareholders.

Well, Gentlemen, dividends do not grow of themselves, they have to be earned and are so earned only by the constant care for our interests of our Managing Directors and Directors assisted by the willing and untiring labour of the staff they employ. Sales of property are not brought about without much care and thought, and for the successful carrying through of this class of business we are entirely indebted to the able management of our Managing Directors, who should receive adequate remuneration therefor at our hands.

In this connection I desire to draw your attention to two items on the debit side of Profit and Loss A/c, viz:

Allowance to General Managers to cover office rent, salaries of Secretary and clerks, which is put down at \$8,000. This allowance is, I understand, the figure at which it was fixed when the capital of the Company was increased so far back as 1903, and is so provided for in the Articles of Association.

Conditions have greatly changed since those days. The clerical work of the staff has probably more than doubled, rents and the cost of living have increased considerably, necessitating a corresponding increase in salaries to staff, etc. I, therefore, venture to submit that the allowance as now provided is insufficient and should be increased to a minimum of \$10,000.

The other item to which I wish to draw your attention is the Remuneration to General Managers.

This is perhaps a more difficult matter to deal with, since any material increase herein might possibly affect the dividend earning potentialities of the Company. However we must not lose sight of the fact that it is to their able management and brain we owe the success of the Company, and I hope you will agree with me in thinking that their remuneration as at present provided, 5% on the net profits, is nowadays somewhat inadequate and should be increased, at any rate at such times as the net profits exceed say 10% of the capital.

If you are in accord with me in these matters I think we may leave it to the Board of Directors to formulate an amended scale in both instances and to draw up the necessary alterations to the Articles of Association required to deal therewith.

It now merely remains for me to second the Chairman's proposal, "that the Report and Accounts as presented be adopted and passed." Replying to Mr. Northcote, the Chairman said: Thank you for your kind words. The only thing I can think of that you have omitted to mention is that the work of recent years has very largely increased and is still increasing. Your suggestion will be put before the Board at its next meeting and whatever the Directors decide to do (if they decide to do anything) will be submitted to the shareholders at an extraordinary general meeting which will be subsequently convened.

The Chairman's motion that the report and accounts be adopted was then put to the meeting and passed. On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Clark, Messrs. J. Scott Hamilton, W. L. Pattenden, the Rev. Father Robert, the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang and Mr. J. M. Alves were re-elected directors.

On the proposition of Mr. Morley, seconded by Mr. Stapleton, Messrs. H. Percy Smith and C. Bernard Brown were re-elected auditors.

The Chairman announced that dividend warrants would be ready on Monday, and that concluded the business of the meeting.

## A COURT QUESTION.

Appropos a Mixed Court report which appeared in a recent issue of the Municipal Gazette (Shanghai), the Shanghai Journal of Commerce says that the German Minister has approached the Minister of Foreign Affairs in Peking with a view to establishing as soon as possible a special court for the trial of German citizens in Shanghai. It was pointed out that the case which was recently tried in the Mixed Court, wherein a German appeared as defendant in answer to a criminal charge, should not have been heard in that Court at all. Dr. Yen is reported to have postponed his answer.

## INDO-CHINESE OFFICERS FOR FRENCH ARMY.

According to mail advices received in Paris from Indo-China it is proposed to establish a body of native officers in which there would be two distinct branches. In one military and general training would be given such as would qualify for promotion to the higher grades of officers with the colours, while in the other the instruction would be such as would enable its recipients to enter the great Army colleges in France, where they would receive training for staff and administrative purposes. For carrying out this scheme a special school is to be established in Indo-China, to which candidates will only be admitted after their loyalty has been placed beyond doubt by a stringent inquiry.

## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

## This Demands Explanation

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The family of the late Capt. E. C. Lourenco wish to thank their relatives and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy and floral tributes sent in their recent sad bereavement.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1922.

### THE SOVIET AND GENOA.

To those who have realised that the greatest diplomatic need of the day is the political reconstruction of Europe there can only be disappointment at the probability of a further postponement of the Genoa Conference consequent on the change of the Italian Cabinet. A few weeks ago everything seemed to point to the fairly near meeting of the political leaders of Europe to discuss and arrange the much-needed political rehabilitation of the world's most distressed Continent, and there was open gratification expressed by all liberal-thinking men that at long last some real effort was to be made to ameliorate the after-effects of the Great War on those who bore the brunt of that struggle. Germany and Russia were invited to send representatives; there was open talk of the formation of an international corporation to finance trade and there was manifest a far more liberal spirit than had been evidenced since the close of hostilities. At the moment the date of the promised Genoa Conference seems to be very uncertain. One can only hope that the Conference will not be much longer delayed and that its results will justify the optimism of its chief sponsors.

But we were very interested to read a little while back that Mr. Samuel Gompers, the head of the American Labour organisations, had sent to Congress a protest against the participation of America in the Conference on the ground that such participation would involve the recognition of the Soviet Government. We should have thought that Mr. Gompers, as a labour man, would have held views directly contrary to those he expressed. There can be little question that the proletariat of Europe are suffering hardship and high prices just because such a vast country as Russia has been cut off from the rest of the world in the matter of trade. And Mr. Gompers must surely have recognised by this time that if he is going to wait until Russia has a form of government different to that which she has at present before she can be re-admitted into the world of trading nations, he is going to have a very long wait. The Soviet Government may be a hated thing to those who believe in the Divine Right of Capital and it may be a form of government entirely unsuited to industrial countries like Britain and America, but we ought to be sufficiently honest to recognise that for Russia at the moment it is the only government she can have. Whether the Soviet idea is good or bad all depends on our personal relationship to the industrial world around us, but even if we condemn it root and branch as a principle we must recognise that Russia is a country which needs our help and which also has a helping hand to give her European neighbours. It is essential for the welfare of millions that the trade of Europe and of the world should be permitted to flow without let or hindrance, no matter what the particular political complexion of any country or countries might be. If we keep Russia out of the scheme of things we shall not change her form of administration; we shall only drive her further along the path of political cleavage. To "recognise" the Soviet would not be nearly so great an evil as would be the deliberate continuation of a policy of isolation.

We have understood and sympathised with the contention of capitalists that the political complexion of Russia spells danger to the rest of the world; and we honestly believe that at the present time any extension of such a political theory would be bad for the world. But we also believe that the peoples of most other countries do not desire such a form of government as Russia now has; they only long for a free opportunity to earn by their labour the essentials and comforts of life. That will not be fully possible until all parts of the earth are thrown open for purposes of trade and commerce. Surely, that much is obvious even to the dullest. The real danger of to-day is not in recognising the Soviet, but in what will happen in other countries unless the political barriers and hindrances preventing the return of prosperity are speedily broken down.

### NOTES & COMMENTS.

#### Plantation Wrecking.

Magistrate Wood was in indulgent vein when several Chinese, chiefly transport workers, were charged on Saturday with damaging a bamboo plantation by cutting down the trees, the damage being estimated at some hundreds of dollars. Mr. Wolfe, the Captain Superintendent of Police, explained that there had been a wholesale cutting-down of trees on Mount Davis, the bamboos and grass being tied up in neat bundles, while the odd stuff littered the road to such an extent that it was difficult to get along in his motor-car. At first the Magistrate thought that the offenders might have been seeking fuel in consequence of the shortage, but Mr. Wolfe was soon able to demonstrate that it was the money from the sale of the timber that the culprits were after. Result: a fine of 50 cents or two days' imprisonment. This is certainly not an excessive penalty in respect of serious damage to the plantation by able-bodied coolies, for whom, as the Captain Superintendent stated, there is plenty of work in the city. It would be interesting to know the basis of calculation in these matters. In the case of an amah last week two days' imprisonment was reckoned the equivalent of a \$2 fine, while these transgressors got off at fifty cents. Indiscriminate cutting is liable to inflict extensive damage upon the trees, and it is well to note that the authorities have adopted preventative measures by supplementing the forest guards with several constables.

#### Prince Yamagata.

Within a few months Japan has lost three of her leading statesmen, all of whom had held the Premiership. Only a little while ago Mr. Hara, the little "commoner" to become Prime Minister, met with a tragic end, and scarcely have the obsequies of Marquis Okuma, the "Grand Old Man" of Dai Nippon, been celebrated than the news comes of Prince Yamagata's decease. The Prince, who was in his 84th year, was almost the same age as Marquis Okuma, being born a few months later. He was noted both in the Council-chamber and in the field. At the time of the Sino-Japanese war he was President of the Privy Council, and in that campaign he commanded the First Army, being rewarded with a Marquisate, while in 1907 he was made a Prince. In 1907 he was appointed Premier, while, returning to the military side, he was made Chief of the General Staff in 1914. As leader of the Elder Statesmen—who constitute the Genro or Privy Council—Prince Yamagata long wielded commanding influence. A year ago he suffered eclipse, on account, it is said, of opposing the Crown Prince's betrothal because the bride was selected from outside the usual circle, but apparently he recovered at least part of his prestige. A circumstance to render the Prince of direct interest to Britishers was that he was one of the few foreigners to be admitted to the select company comprised in the Order of Merit.

#### Universal Free Trade.

A correspondent writing to the Daily Chronicle in reference to a proposed international society of men of liberal ideas propounds Free Trade as its basis. In general principle this has much to recommend it. At home few among even Tariff Reformers commit themselves to an out-and-out policy of Protection; the usual arguments are retaliation, reciprocity, and revenue-raising. The occasion for the first of these would disappear with universal Free Trade, and as to the last Cobdenites do not rule out a revenue tariff in respect of non-competitive articles. It was thought in the early post-war period that a result of the terrible conflict would be a movement in the direction of open markets, which received the benediction of the financial conference held at Brussels to consider the reconstruction of Europe. The pity is that the tendency has been in just the opposite direction. America, which was already the home of High Protection, has revised her tariff upwards, and other countries have acted in the same direction. Amongst these is Britain, where the two recent measures for safeguarding industry are generally voted to go much beyond provision against "dumping" (some modification has now been allowed). At the present time it has to be admitted that Cobden's dream of universal Free Trade remains in the visionary stage.

### DAY BY DAY.

LOVE OF GLORY, FEAR OF SHAME, GREED OF FORTUNE, THE DESIRE TO MAKE LIFE AGREEABLE AND COMFORTABLE ARE OFTEN CAUSES OF THAT BRAVERY SO VAUNTED AMONG MEN.—*Rochefort.*

Workmen are busy "touching up" Blake Pier presumably in readiness for the Prince's visit.

Saturday's health return shows three fatal cases of small-pox and one non-fatal occurrence of diphtheria. All were Chinese.

A Chinese yesterday sustained slight injuries to his head by being knocked down by a motor car in Queen's Road East. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

A truck loaded with cement was coming out from the Cement Works yesterday when it collided with a Chinese and knocked him down, causing injuries to his right foot. The man was sent to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

That there is something in a name is proved by to-night's big Coronet Theatre attraction "The Silver Horde," a wonderful tale of Alaska whose author is one of the most famous now writing for the screen.—*Rex Beach.*

Mr. Denman Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Sim, Mr. and Mrs. L. Templeton, Miss Templeton, Mrs. A. S. D. Couland and two children and Miss Bowden Smith (sister of the Commodore) arrived by the Pyrrhus on Saturday.

It is reported by the police that a Japanese who engaged a motor-boat to go aboard the Anashine Maru, was yesterday attacked by the crew and was so severely injured about the head that he had to be sent to the Government Civil Hospital.

Kowloon has its last opportunity this evening of seeing "The Secret Garden," a poignant romance by Francis Hodgson Burnett, author of "Little Lord Fauntleroy." To-morrow (Tuesday) evening the Kowloon Theatre will hold its usual popular cabaret dance.

Owing to the strike, the St. Andrew's Church Men's Society Marathon Race has been indefinitely postponed. The Navy, Army, Police and others being on extra duty, there has been only eight entries for the race so far, and under the circumstances, it has been decided to put it off until the labour trouble is settled.

The marriage of Miss Phillis Chandler, daughter of Captain and Mrs. Paul D. Chandler, of Hongkong, to Mr. Henry Winthrop Hastings of San Francisco, was solemnized in the Episcopal Church in Mill Valley, Cal., on January 1, 1922. Mr. and Mrs. Hastings are making a tour of the Orient and will shortly arrive in Hongkong to visit their parents, before returning to make their home in San Francisco.

A large party of Shriners, members of an American masonic body visiting Shanghai, Hongkong and Manila, arrived in the Colony during the week-end in the Keystone State. The Shriners have held no meetings or parades or anything of like nature during their short stay in Hongkong, but have occupied their time in seeing the sights, being shown round by some of the American residents. The Shriners leave for Manila in the Keystone State this afternoon.

The carnival in Bangkok at which the lottery was drawn was one of the most popular ever held in Siam, the brilliantly decorated fair grounds being crowded. The various stalls were numerous and included Siamese Arts, and stalls in which the state departments advertised the advantages of their special subjects, such as Railways, Post and Telegraphs, and Public Health, etc. Upwards of twenty people were injured in the collapse of the water-shoot construction, and were sent to hospital.

SINO GERMAN QUESTION. According to the Kuo Wen News Agency, Germany has demanded from Peking the return of the Hukwang bond, the Tientsin-Pukow Railway funds and the funds of the former Deutsche Asiatic Bank, and China, in a counterclaim, has asked for \$200,000,000, said to be China's losses during the Great War.

### FOOTBALL.

#### Saturday's Matches.

Saturday's games resulted as follows—

#### SHIELD COMPETITION.

#### HONGKONG LEAGUE.

H'kong Club... 3 R.G.A. 1  
Kowloon... 3 The "King's" 0  
H.M.S. Curlew 2 H.M.S. Tamar 1  
University... 3 Kowloon Res. 2  
R.G.A. Res... 4 United... 2  
S.C. "B"... 3 Punjabia... 1  
Curlew Res... 1 S.C. "A"... 1

#### SOUTH CHINA v. AMBROSE.

The replay in the first round of the Shield Competition between the above teams attracted a large crowd to the South China ground at Happy Valley, where a good game was seen. The teams struggled for seventy minutes last week for supremacy but at the end they were equal. Although the Chinese started favourites on Saturday it looked as though a repetition of last week's play would take place, for after 50 minutes' play the score sheet was blank but in less than five minutes after the Chinese were leading by two clear goals. The crowd was quite orderly on Saturday, and the spectators followed the game quite closely, giving applause where deserved to each set of players. The weather was ideal from the spectators' point of view when Referee Newton called the Captains together and Ip Kau beating Coysh in the spin of the coin elected to defend the goal at the harbour end. Gyce kicked off for the sailors, who were early attacking and the Chinese defence opened weak. Fung Tai muddling a pass by Boulter and Carter shooting wide. The South China forwards soon got into their stride and it was evident that the sailors' defence was going to have a warm time. The Chinese depended a lot on their left wing, for the ball was swung out to Lau Tak-chung, who showed great accuracy in returning to the centre, and was never guilty of trying to score from half the length of the field. He had the misfortune to get injured after 12 minutes' play and when he returned he was handicapped by a limp. The inside forwards were out of form in the opening half, for they all missed easy chances from good positions. The game was well contested and at half-time the score sheet was blank.

Continuing after the interval, the play went in favour of South China, but Coysh cleared his charge well and the sailors had a few excursions into the Chinese half, but Lau dealt with the shots directed at him from long range. The backs keeping the forwards well out they had to be contented by taking pot shots. The game was well on in the second half when Wong Pak-chung opened the score, heading in from a corner kick well placed by Lau Tak-chung. The sailors went off with a rush from the centre kick, but their attempt was like a flash in the pan, for Chan So returned the ball to midfield and Chung Wing-sing, working out to the right, sent in a pass along the ground and Ip Kau, meeting it, only three yards from goal, turned it in the right direction and gave Coysh no chance. The sailors had plenty of good football left and made a couple of runs into the Chinese half, but combination was lacking close in and South China backs cleared. South China again took up the attack and a couple of passes across the goal mouth went begging, the ball rolling over the line clear of the posts. Keeping up the pressure, South China forced Long to concede a corner when attempting to clear and Lau Tak-chung, dropping the ball in the goal-mouth from the flag kick, it was easy for Ip Kau to beat Coysh and put the Chinese three up. Shortly afterwards the whistle sounded for time, leaving South China winners of a good game by three goals to nil. Mr. Newton gave great satisfaction as the referee and kept the players well in hand. South China will now meet the Hongkong Police on the 18th, inst. in the second round of the shield competition.

#### CLUB v. R.G.A.

Great interest was centred on this match on the Club ground, for the Club winning would have meant a good hold on the League Championship. They took the field without Ralston and Mair, and Stewart returning to the side after a week's absence took up the centre-half position, McPhail working out to the left and Hyde on the right. The game opened in favour of the R.G.A., but the Club defence was sound and midfield play followed. Following a corner by the soldiers, the Club took up

the attack, but were checked by the R.G.A. halves. Play was very fast, and after 20 minutes Kuhl got through for the Club, and, beating Bailey and then Walker, landed the ball high in the net, giving Phillips no chance.

The R.G.A. put up a spirited attack, but McHugh finished weak and play settled in midfield, half-time arriving with the Club leading by the only goal scored.

Resuming, play for a time settled in the Club half, but the defence was sound and the R.G.A. seldom became dangerous. On one occasion McHugh, after beating the field and facing the goal, skied over the bar. Begg was responsible for the next goal, for, receiving well out, he ran round Walker and with a left foot drive landed the ball high in the net. The R.G.A. tried hard to reduce the Club lead and Keay was sent away on the right but ended up a good run by shooting behind. Begg repeated his previous effort, for, taking the ball on the run, he worked out to the left and, leaving the R.G.A. defence standing, let drive and Phillips did not see the ball pass him in its way to the net. This was a brilliant goal. J. Roger had to leave the field and, returning later, found his injury too much to continue, so took no further part in the game. MacPhail dropped back and towards the end the R.G.A. scored from a scramble near the Club goal. Time arrived shortly afterwards, the Club running out winners of a fast game by three goals to one.

#### KOWLOON v. THE "KING'S."

On the Valley ground, Kowloon fielded a side which included several Reserves and beat the "King's" by three clear goals. The game was well contested and the teams evenly matched out. Kowloon forwards had more dash in front of goal. Pascoe scored from long range before the interval. After the change of ends, Morley put in a brilliant run for Kowloon and ended up by beating Williams with a screw shot. The "King's" got down and Dangerfield shot wide from a good position. At the other end the Kowloon men forced a corner and Morley, placing well from the flag kick, Pascoe beat Williams and put Kowloon three up. Towards the close the soldiers got down and Todd sent behind. Jones sent in a drive which should have taken effect, but Mason was in the line and the ball rebounded clear. The Kowloon defence kept the "King's" out and time arrived with Kowloon winners by three goals to nil.

#### CURLEW v. TAMAR.

These teams met on Navy "B" ground and a fast game ended in a win for Curlew by the odd goal in three. Wetherby turned out for the Curlew in place of Dyer, while for the Tamar, Harry replaced Samuelson at back and Oxland led the attack in place of Millington. Excitement ruled high when, during an attack by the Tamar, a defender handled in the penalty area and Hudson gave the Tamar the lead. Lamb made the scores equal before the interval, beating Mitch with a long shot from the left. The game was evenly contested after the change of ends and Curlew, netting again before the close, won by two goals to one.

#### OTHER GAMES.

In the Junior games, South China "A" and Curlew Reserves played a drawn game of one all, Robinson putting through his own goal and Knowles making the scores level.

University beat Kowloon Reserves by three goals to two, Ting and Samy scoring for the University and Hall for Kowloon before the interval. Hall and Samy added goals for their respective sides after the interval.

R. G. A. Reserves beat United by four goals to two, Kent scoring three goals and Wilson one for the winners. Hopper scored twice for United.

South China "B" beat Punjabia by 3 goals to 2. Capt. Bourdillon scored the goals for the losers. Each side missed from a penalty.

#### QUARANTINE IN FRENCH PORTS.

Stricter quarantine regulations will be found in force in French ports, a new decree modifying the old regime. Therein is mentioned in detail the action to be taken when various illnesses develop upon calling vessels; but at the same time, much "red tape" has been abolished. The health authorities have henceforward the right to impose certain precautionary measures in the case of ships wherein other diseases than plague, cholera and yellow fever have branch out.

### RAILWAY MOTOR COACHES.

#### First Public Run from Kowloon.

Golfers proceeding by rail to Fanning yesterday morning enjoyed the experience of travelling by the new motor coaches recently ordered from the United States and supplied through the agency of the local office of the North West Trading Company. This was the first occasion on which these coaches had been publicly run. They were put on as specials to relieve the abnormally heavy traffic by the ordinary through express train, the last portion of which left Kowloon some fifteen minutes ahead of the coaches, being absolutely packed with Chinese bound for Canton. The golfers expressed themselves extremely well pleased with the speed and of the new accommodation provided, the coaches proving most comfortable and being a decided improvement on the trains.

Unhappily, the journey was not made as quickly as anticipated, but this was not the fault of the coaches, which ran perfectly throughout. Indeed, so good was the progress made that the coaches were soon found to be overtaking the express train, with the result that several stops had to be made to allow the latter to get ahead. Including a stop of ten minutes at Taiipo, five minutes at Shatin and some minutes at Yuenai, the run from Kowloon to Sheung Shui was accomplished in 55 minutes. But in trial runs over an uninterrupted track the journey from Kowloon to Shum Chon has been done in 39 minutes, which is rather faster than the express trains. As it was, between stations very excellent time was kept yesterday, a speed of 55 miles per hour being attained between Taiipo and Sheung Shui.

These coaches are driven by 6-cylinder 8 x 10 dual ignition motors, of 150 horse-power, which ran very cool yesterday, there being no signs of overheating, despite the fact that they were running on a low grade petrol, the temperature of the water never exceeding 190 degrees. The coaches were driven respectively by Mr. C. D. Lambirt (Locomotive Superintendent) and Mr. A. Smith (Assistant Locomotive Superintendent), owing to the heavy traffic on the main line, the men who have been trained for this work have had to be put back to the locomotives. The new coaches will not be put into general service until the strike is over, as the men cannot be spared to drive them. They will eventually replace the light locomotives, more especially the night trains. As such, they should prove extremely useful, and yesterday's initial run showed them to be quite up to expectations in every respect.

### DEATH OF LT.-COL. EDWARD BARRETT.

#### Father of Shanghai's Leading Batsman.

General regret was expressed in Shanghai when it became known that Captain E. I. M. Barrett's father had succumbed to injuries received in a motor accident at home. The deceased gentleman, Lt.-Col. Edward Barrett, had been educated at Finchley, and lived at Farnham for many years where he was owner of the Farnham Breweries. Later these were amalgamated, and became the Farnham United Breweries, of which company the deceased was a director at the time of his death. The late Mr. Barrett, who was well-known as a sprinter in his younger days, played cricket for Surrey on several occasions in the '80's, while he was a wonderful game shot; one of the best in his country. Later on he lived at Winchester, where he used to play for the Winchester Club, and he was a prominent member of the Incongruity Cricket Club. Subsequently he had resided at Sandbanks, Bournemouth, while at the same time he had a grouse moor in North Wales. Prior to the War, Mr. Barrett had commanded a battalion of the Queen's Royal West Surrey Volunteers, and at the outbreak of hostilities he was made Draft Conducting Officer with the honorary rank of Lieut.-Colonel. He was afterwards a Camp Commandant in France, in which capacity he served throughout the duration of the War. He was about 65 years of age. It is a melancholy fact that while Capt. Barrett's father had been killed as a result of a motor accident, his mother died following upon a carriage accident.

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**"PYGMALION."**

Big Success by Warwick Company.

Bernard Shaw's famous four-act comedy, "Pygmalion," was staged by the Warwick Comedy Company in the presence of a crowded house at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night. And very finely was it played, too. In fact, we do not think the Company has ever scored a greater success. The story of the play is too well known to need recapitulation, but those who had seen the piece before, as well as those who had not, followed with the deepest interest the experiment of Henry Higgins, the phonetic crank, to transform a flower seller (Eliza Doolittle) into a duchess so far as speech and manners were concerned. Abounding in subtleties and saturated with cynicism, the dialogue was altogether diverting, and no greater compliment can be paid to the Company than to say that each and every member of the cast showed a full appreciation of the uncommon outlook of the playwright.

Miss Gertrude Godart was simply immense as Eliza, whilst Mr. Dudley Howarth took the part of Henry Higgins with marked vigour and ability. Other outstanding characters were Mr. Warwick himself as Eliza's father (a really splendid study of the part); Miss Eileen Dawn as Higgins' housekeeper; Miss Lena Flowerdew as Mrs. Higgins; and Mr. Charles Bradley as Colonel Pickering. Higgins' aid and abettor in the experiment. The minor parts were also well taken, and the production was such to give all present unqualified delight.

A REMARKABLE PLAY.  
Miss Clemence Dane's very human play, "A Bill of Divorcement," which has been running for so long at the St. Martin's Theatre, is to be presented by the Warwick Comedy Company tonight at the Theatre Royal.

Playgoers will recollect that it was presented here during the previous visit of the company. On that occasion it met with such a fine reception that Mr. Warwick has decided to include it in the repertoire for this season on account of the numerous requests he has received for a repetition. The play is undoubtedly a very unusual one. It gives magnificent scope for fine acting, notably on the part of Mr. N. Thorpe-Mayne as Hilary Fairfield and Miss Marjory Clark as "Sydney Fairfield." The former is said by many to be Mr. Thorpe-Mayne's best characterisation.

**DEATH OF MR. PETER MARSHALL**

Shanghai Manager of Eastern Telegraph Co.

Deep regret was felt among a wide circle of friends by the announcement on the 1st inst. of the sudden death of Mr. Peter Marshall, manager in Shanghai of the Eastern Extension and Australasian Telegraph Co. He contracted scarlet fever and was taken to the General Hospital on January 30, and passed away in the early hours of February 1.

The deceased gentleman was 53 years of age, having been born at Brunton, New Zealand, on July 8, 1869. He has for many years been a valued servant of the Eastern Extension company, and has held appointments at most of their more important stations, including the Cocos Islands, Perth (Australia), Saigon, Labuan, and Poochow. It was in 1890 that he first went to Shanghai, and for some years he was assistant manager here. His appointment as manager was only confirmed on January 1 of this year.



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**TO-DAY'S  
MISCELLANY.**

Although several familiar faces were missed at Westminster during the short Session, there were very few newcomers. The only M.P. awaiting his introduction to the Speaker was Viscount Ednam. In addition to the former Lord Chancellor and Lord Lindley, Viscount Townsend and the Earl of Northesk have died during the recess, the last-named being the third Scottish representative peer whose place has to be filled. It is an interesting political conjuncture that sees Lord Ednam taking his seat for the first time as the new M.P. for Hornsey on the occasion of Parliament meeting to ratify peace with Ireland, says the Daily Chronicle. For Lord Ednam's father, the Earl of Dudley, was the popular Lord Lieutenant of Ireland who dared to associate himself with the peace movement of 1904, when the Dunraven proposals for a devolution form of Home Rule were under discussion. Lord Dudley and the late Mr. George Wyndham, the brilliant Chief Secretary, were the first Unionists to realise the necessity of winning peace in Ireland by some agreed form of legislation.

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**Americans Volunteer Assistance.**

Members of the American community in Hongkong have volunteered their services to assist in any way in dealing with the situation caused by the strike and between fifty and sixty were sworn in by Magistrate J. R. Wood at noon Saturday.

A number of Americans in the Colony decided that they would like to "do their bit" in connection with the strike, and, as a consequence, those whose addresses were available were circulated and the special force to act in any emergency soon came into being. There was some difficulty at first about the form of oath, because if the Americans swore allegiance to His Majesty the King they would lose their citizenship, but a special oath was drawn up and the Government issued a special order creating the force.

Many of the prominent American business men of the Colony are amongst those who have volunteered, and those in the new force are fitting their police duties in with their work as well as they can. Each man is equipped with a belt, truncheon, police whistle and cuff band. A number went on guard duty yesterday on board the Keystone State, protecting the coolies engaged in unloading flour and other food-stuffs which comprised this vessel's cargo. Others were on duty all last night and are also to be seen engaged in police work to-day. They are sworn in for three months.

At noon to-day Magistrate Wood swore in more American volunteers, and those who wish to offer their services and have

**V. R. C.**

**Some Interesting Items.**

The Victoria Recreation Club is holding the third scratch regatta at Black Boulder point on Sunday, February 26th. The crews to compete for the B. & C. Class Fours are—C. Hay (stk.), J. B. Noregaard (3), 3. Marcal (2), W. R. N. Andrews, D. Stutz (stk.), A. Ignatieff (3), A. Wensko (2), F. Schaeffel (Bow); C. Earnshaw (stk.), J. Barentsen (3), H. J. Silva (2), P. A. Dixon (Bow); G. Mogenssen (stk.), J. O'Brien (3), J. R. Soares (2), N. Shalabanoff (Bow). For the first time there will be Mixed Fours with fixed seats which should prove very interesting. Other races are—Senior Fours, Tub Sculling, and Ladies' Pairs.

The annual Victoria Regatta is to be held on 15th. and 17th. April. Invitations will be sent to Canton, Shanghai, Tientsin and Singapore to send crews to compete.

Arrangements for the Billiard Championship of the Colony are being put in hand. The entries for same close on Friday, 17th. February.

The annual Athletic Sports will be held at the end of April.

not yet done so should report at the Magistracy.

The British Legion also have volunteered their services and so far some sixty or seventy have joined up as "specials." They, too, are to be seen on duty on the water front.

The Committee of the Active Service Men's Association, it is stated, have sent a letter to the Government offering their services in the event of any emergency.

# CAMERA NEWS



These pictures of ex-President Woodrow Wilson were taken upon the sixty-fifth anniversary of his birth. He posed for them in front of his home, 2310 S Street, Washington. This is the first time he has appeared for his photograph, unattended, since he left the White House. He appears in better health than at any time since his breakdown.



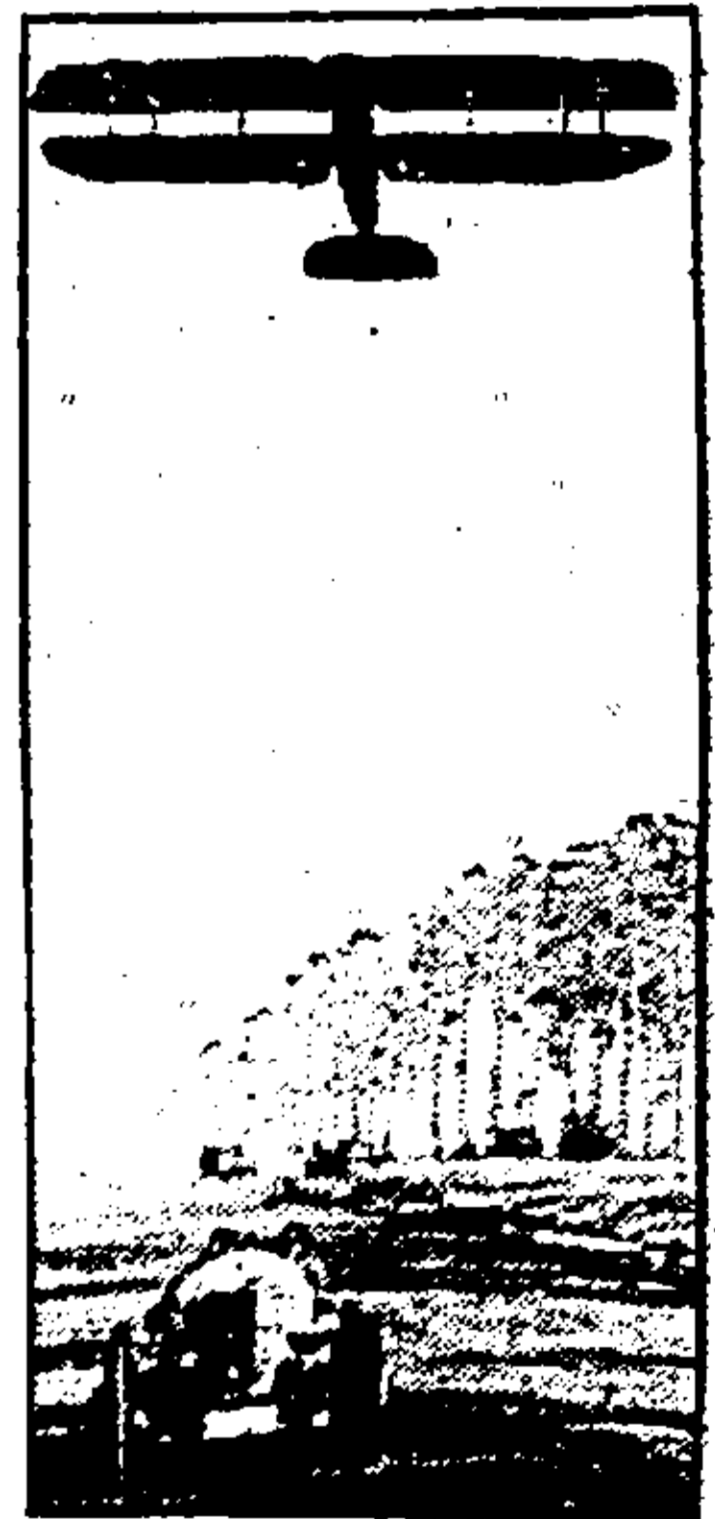
A Canadian golf club has solved the problem of the "blind" hole on the link. A periscope is used to see if the player drives. Thus the danger of a black eye from the little white ball is avoided. And balls are lost less frequently.



It may or may not be true that Suzanne Lenglen, European tennis champion, has given up tennis as reported, but it is true that she has taken up golf. Here she is learning to drive at Nice, France.



Women of all ages engage in the strenuous game of hockey in Berlin. Notice the variance in ages of the players pictured above. These are professionals playing in a series of games.



Lo Hohl, the speed demon, and Unge, Germany's foremost air pilot, were almost on even terms when this photograph was made as they raced in the suburbs of Berlin. The airplane won, despite a handicap in favour of the auto.

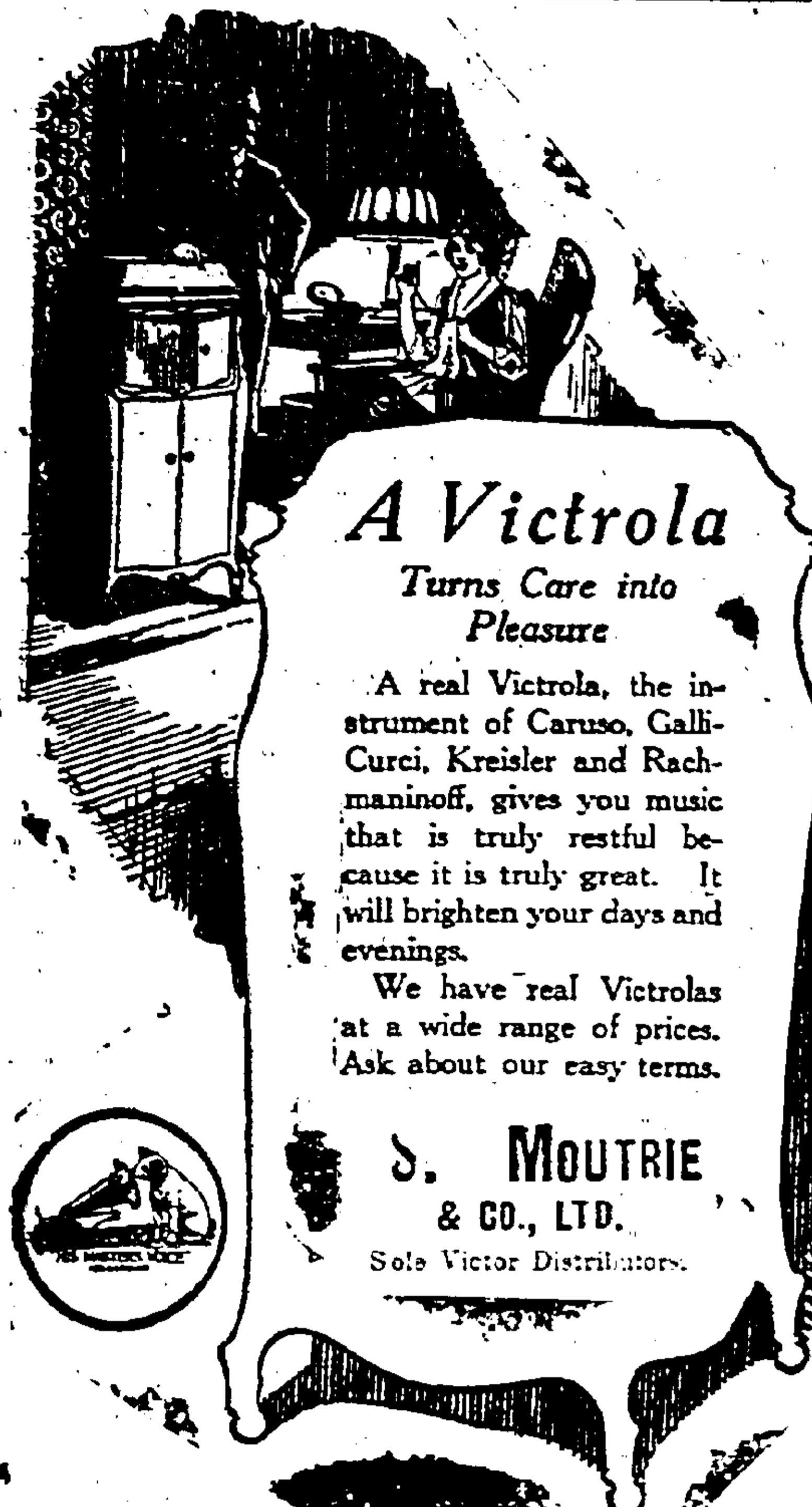
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## LEAGUE CRICKET.

(Continued From Page 2.)

Kowloon gave the Police 133 to get. Evelyn got eight boundaries. Gibb, a newcomer, took three wickets for eleven runs. Alexander played a fine innings for the Police, giving no chances and hitting twelve fours. Scores:

| Kowloon C. C. 2nd XI.                   |     |
|---|-----|
| A. J. Blackburn, c. Hallam, b. Grimmett | 4   |
| F. G. Harbridge, b. Gibb                | 1   |
| F. E. Lawrence, c. Watt, b. Gibb        | 0   |
| E. J. Edwards, c. Hallam, b. Grimmett   | 1   |
| H. Overy, c. Grimmett, b. Gibb          | 5   |
| F. Evelyn, not out                      | 57  |
| C. Russell, c. Holland, b. Earnshaw     | 19  |
| L. Jack, b. King                        | 0   |
| Shenton, c. Elwood, b. Grimmett         | 0   |
| Drake, b. Watt                          | 0   |
| A. O. Brown, c. Watt, b. Grimmett       | 18  |
| Extras                                  | 19  |
| Total                                   | 133 |

| Bowling analysis: |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Grimmett          | 12 2 44 4 |
| Gibb              | 6 2 11 3  |
| Alexander         | 4 1 23 1  |
| Earnshaw          | 3 1 11 1  |
| King              | 4 1 21 1  |
| Watt              | 2 1 1 1   |

| Police.                               |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| C. F. Alexander, c. Drake, b. Evelyn  | 3   |
| A. Grimmett, run out                  | 0   |
| R. Earnshaw, c. and b. Blackburn      | 35  |
| F. E. Lawrence, c. Russell, b. Evelyn | 25  |
| N. G. Watt, c. and b. Blackburn       | 1   |
| T. H. King, c. Lawrence, b. Drake     | 32  |
| Elwood, c. Evelyn, b. Drake           | 24  |
| W. D. Gibb, not out                   | 1   |
| Hallam, b. Drake                      | 3   |
| Extras                                | 5   |
| Total for bowlers                     | 226 |

| Bowling analysis: |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Overy             | 5 1 30 1 |
| Russell           | 5 1 29 1 |
| Drake             | 2 1 22 5 |
| Brown             | 1 1 22 5 |
| Lawrence          | 4 1 25 1 |
| Blackburn         | 9 1 60 2 |
| Evelyn            | 3 1 19 2 |
| Shenton           | 2 1 13 1 |

**Kowloon v. University.**  
In this League match, played at Kowloon, the home team defeated University badly. A. A. Rumpah, made 22 and F. A. Richmond 18; but the rest of the visiting batsmen did nothing. To the University score of 61, Kowloon replied with 211. F. L. Braga hit out in his usual free style and had 124 to his credit before he was caught. Scores:

| University.                             |    |
|---|----|
| A. A. Rumpah, b. Evans                  | 22 |
| T. E. Yeoh, b. Stalker                  | 7  |
| F. A. Richmond, c. Robinson, b. Stalker | 18 |
| A. Hoalim, b. Evans                     | 1  |
| M. H. Royle, b. Evans                   | 2  |
| Bolhatbet, run out                      | 1  |
| M. B. Osman, b. Evans                   | 6  |
| R. A. Ponsing, b. Evans                 | 6  |
| Thompson, b. Evans                      | 6  |
| W. Vevers, c. Macaskill, b. Stalker     | 1  |
| T. Yeoh, not out                        | 0  |
| Hon. Dr. Severn, c. Spinks, b. Stalker  | 6  |
| Extras                                  | 2  |
| Total                                   | 61 |

| Bowling analysis: |            |
|-------------------|------------|
| Stalker           | 12 1 33 4  |
| Cochrane          | 5 1 11 1   |
| Evans             | 9 1 4 10 5 |

| Kowloon.                                 |     |
|--|-----|
| F. G. Harbridge, b. Hoalim               | 7   |
| C. I. Stapleton, c. and b. Yeoh          | 7   |
| Capt. E. F. Spinks, b. Yeoh              | 9   |
| E. L. Braga, c. Rumpah, b. Richmond      | 124 |
| B. D. Evans, b. Yeoh                     | 0   |
| K. R. Macaskill, run out                 | 4   |
| J. P. Robinson, c. T. E. Yeoh, b. Rumpah | 5   |
| J. Stalker, b. Yeoh                      | 9   |
| T. M. Cochrane, c. Severn, b. Yeoh       | 7   |
| C. Dance, b. Severn                      | 0   |
| C. P. James, not out                     | 25  |
| Extras                                   | 23  |
| Total                                    | 211 |

| Bowling analysis: |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Hoalim            | 6 3 13 2  |
| T. E. Yeoh        | 17 1 76 5 |
| Rumpah            | 4 1 26 1  |
| Severn            | 9 1 36 1  |
| Bolhatbet         | 2 1 15 1  |
| Richmond          | 5 2 18 1  |
| Royle             | 1 1 14 1  |

## FRIENDLY MATCH.

**H.K.C.C. v. Civil Service.**  
These teams played a very interesting match on Civil Service ground, the bowlers of both sides having the upper hand. H.K.C.C.

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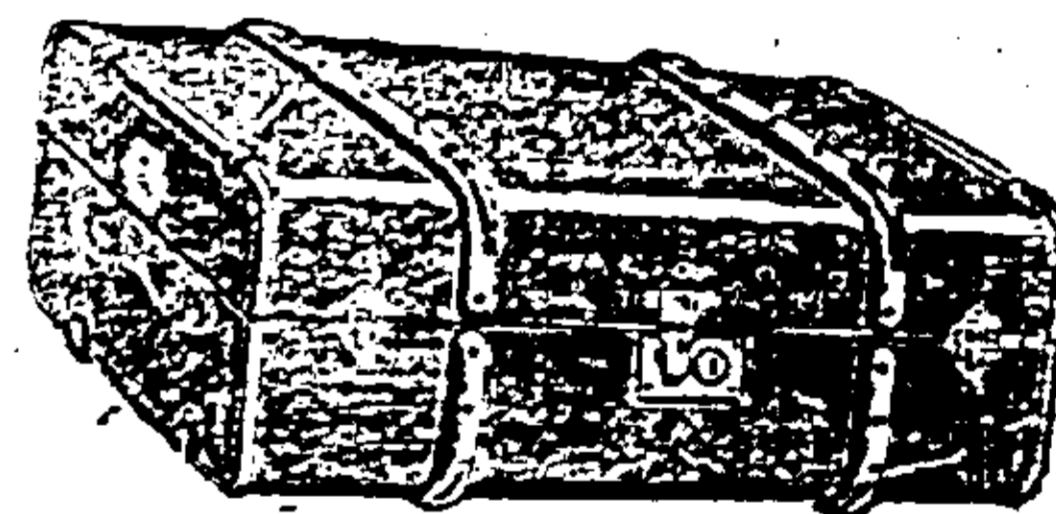
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## EGYPTIAN SITUATION.

Cairo, Feb. 4.  
General Lord Allenby had a striking send off by a large and representative gathering including a number of Egyptian ex-ministers who cheered with unusual demonstrativeness. At Alexandria three hundred notables saw General Allenby off to England.

## THE PAPAL ELECTION.

Rome, Feb. 4.  
The voting Conclave commenced to-day. Cardinal Marini participated.

## OBITUARY.

London, Feb. 4.  
The death is announced of Sir Edward Tootal Broadhurst of Manchester. Born in 1858 he had been in business in Manchester since 1876.

## COAL MINE DISASTER.

New York, Feb. 4.  
The death toll in the Gates mine explosion is now twenty-two and still a few miners are missing.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from page 2.)

## BHOPAL'S WONDERFUL LOYALTY.

London, Feb. 4.  
Arriving at Bhopal early on Saturday morning H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, was received by the Nawab Begum the only woman ruler in Asia. A dainty little figure clad in pale blue silk with a burqa of shimmering white over her head and shoulders in conformity with the Purdahnashin faith, she shook hands cordially with the Prince who conducted her to a seat beside himself in the State barouche. They paused outside the station to watch the magnificent elephants, all superbly caparisoned and painted, which gave the salute with their trunks to a whispered word from their scarlet mahouts. During the drive through the city, clustering white and radiant around the beautiful central lakes, the Prince and Begum chatted with animation. They parted at Lal Kotli Palace where the Prince of Wales is staying. During the morning the Begum, accompanied by her Nawab Zadas and Sadars, paid a ceremonial visit to the Prince in the course of which she presented the Hair Apparat. The Prince of Wales returned the call by attending the Begum's Durbar at Sadar Manzil Palace, being received by her on alighting from his motor and conducted to a seat on her right hand. A very picturesque scene rich in Oriental splendour ended by the Prince of Wales personally presenting the Begum with gifts. The rest of the day was devoted to tennis and sport. At a State banquet the Begum came in after dinner to propose the Prince of Wales' health, for being orthodox in her faith she dined in her own apartments. She made a most graceful little speech in excellent English and the Prince of Wales, replying, paid a high tribute to the loyalty of Bhopal and its splendid services during the war. Another Warm Welcome.

Indores, Feb. 5.

Efforts of the non-cooperators to persuade the spectators to observe a hartal on the occasion of the Prince of Wales visit evoked little response. Crowds began to cheer even before the Royal train halted. Nowhere has the Prince's reception been warmer.

## JAPAN'S COMMERCIAL MISSION.

Paris, Feb. 4.  
The International Chamber of Commerce has entertained the Japanese Mission at a luncheon presided over by its President, Senator Clementel, who, welcoming the guests, expressed the wish that the commercial and intellectual co-operation of France and Japan may become still more intimate. Mr. Takuma Dan, in answer, said the Japanese business community will do its utmost in furthering the International Chamber's noble work for peace and concord.

The Inter-Allied Union Committee also held a reception in honour of the Japanese visitors at which Marshall Foch and former Cabinet Minister Francois Marsal eulogized the Japanese people's patriotism and enterprise.—Vale.

## A SHIPPING DEAL.

New York, Feb. 4.  
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M. MANUK,

Secretary.

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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From SAN FRANCISCO via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS AND SHANGHAI. S.S. "TENYO MARU."

Consignees of cargo for Hongkong arrived by the above named steamer on February 1, 1922 are hereby notified, that their cargo will be discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.'s No. 8 Godown at their risk.

Storage will be assessed on cargo remaining undelivered after February 12th.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages will be landed into the Kowloon Godown, and date of examination will be advised later.

No claims will be recognised after goods have left the Godown, and none will be entertained if presented later than three weeks from February 7th.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Y. TSUTSUMI, Manager.

## THEATRE ROYAL

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## WARWICK COMEDY COMPANY

Feb. 6 A Bill of Divorcement

Feb. 7 The Double Event

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## UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Seventeenth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Company Limited on Thursday the 16th February 1922 at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of accounts to 31st December 1921.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 6th to 16th February 1922 both dates inclusive.

DOWELL & CO. LTD. General Managers.

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

THE THIRTY THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Buildings, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on Thursday, the 16th. day of February, 1922, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Account and Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st. December, 1921, and declaring a dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Monday, the 6th. February, 1922, until Thursday, the 16th. February, 1922, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors, SHEWAN, TOMES & Co. General Managers.

## THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Transfer Books of the above Company will be closed from 28th. January, to 7th Feb. 1922, both days inclusive. Dated this 16th. day of January, 1922.

By Order of the Board, GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LIMITED.

## THE COWIE HARBOUR COAL COMPANY LIMITED.

## SILIMPOPON COAL.

The undersigned are prepared to quote prices for best quality freshly mined SILIMPOPON COAL, trimmed into Bunkers at SEBATTIK or SANDAKAN (British North Borneo) or to contract for regular Bunker Supplies for 6 or 12 months at favourable rates.

Steamers calling at SEBATTIK or SANDAKAN exclusively for Bunkers are exempt from payment of ordinary Port Charges. The minimum draft of water alongside the Company's Wharf at Sebatik is 28 feet at low water Spring Tides. Charts of Covie Bay (Sebatik Harbour) and any required information concerning the port can be had on application to

BRADLEY & CO. LTD. Agents.

THE COWIE HARBOUR COAL

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

## NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday the 18th. day of February 1922 at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a statement of accounts for the year ending 31st. December 1921.

The Register of shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday 6th. February to Saturday 18th. February 1922 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

AND NOTICE is hereby given that the Shareholders of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation will be held on the day and at the place aforesaid immediately upon the termination of the Ordinary Yearly Meeting for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolution, viz:—

That the Directors of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation be and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the shareholders of the Corporation to take the steps necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hongkong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof to effect the amendments necessary to the Ordinances under which the Corporation is incorporated and carrying on business so as to allow of the ordinary note issue of the Corporation being increased to \$20,000,000 (being the amount of the present paid up capital of the Corporation) and to modify the existing requirements as regards the deposit of security in respect of its note issues in such manner as (a) to relieve the Corporation from the necessity of keeping with the Crown Agents or with Trustees appointed by the Secretary of State coin or bullion as security against any part of the ordinary note issue and to give the Corporation the option of securing such portion of the same as is required to be secured by the deposit (at the option of the Corporation) either of coin or of securities approved by the Secretary of State (b) to relieve the Corporation of the obligation to keep at each of its establishments an amount of coin or bullion equal in value to 1/10th. at least of the notes issued from such establishment and actually in circulation and to leave such matter to the discretion of the Corporation and (c) to allow the Corporation to keep portions of the coin or bullion required to be deposited with the Colonial Secretary and the Colonial Treasurer as security against its excess note issue (viz: the issue beyond \$20,000,000) in places outside the Colony where its notes are issued to such amounts and subject to such conditions as may be approved from time to time by the Governor.

By Order of the Court of Directors, A. G. STEPHEN, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st. February, 1922.

## THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD.

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the THIRTY THIRD ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's offices Victoria Buildings on Friday 10th February 1922 at 12 o'clock noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1921.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY 1st February to Friday 10th February both days inclusive during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Secretary to

The Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.

General Agents for The Kowloon Land & Building Co., Ltd.

## NOTICE.

WE HEREBY NOTIFY that Mr. Ernest W. Blackmore, M.Sc., Civil Engineer, has taken over the management of the Hongkong branch of our firm, will sign per pro. from date, and will be seconded by Mr. Ugo Gonella.

ETABLISSEMENTS BROSSARD MOPIN, Architects and Civil Engineers, Hongkong.

## NOTICE.

Mr. C. Honkey having resigned ceases to sign on behalf of this Company from date.

## THE UNION TRADING CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 1st. Feb. 1922.

## DAIRY FARM, ICE AND COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE ABOVE COMPANY will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company at No. 2 Lower Albert Road, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong on TUESDAY THE 14th DAY OF FEBRUARY 1922 AT NOON for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following resolutions as Extraordinary Resolutions viz:—

(1) That the authorised capital of the Company (which is now \$355,000 consisting of 114,000 shares of the nominal value of \$7.50—whereof 114,000 shares have been issued) be increased to \$1,500,000 by the creation of 84,000 additional shares of the nominal value of \$7.50 each. (2) That the shares constituting the Company's unissued capital be issued at such time or times in such manner and upon such terms and for such purposes and upon such conditions in every respect as the Company's Board of Directors may decide. Dated this 23rd day of January, 1922.

By Order of the Board, M. MANUK, Secretary.

## TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

M. Louchere, the French Minister of Reconstruction, is one of those remarkable men whom the war made famous in a new way. As an engineer, with a seat on 45 great companies, he had already over-topped his colleagues in fame; but as the organiser of the supply of munitions he eclipsed himself. The French Minister for the Liberated Regions has been described by an enthusiastic American journalist as "being more American than French." He talks, it seems, like a sort of super-director of Transatlantic railroads and controller of Continental steel trusts. He is "carefully groomed, shaved to the quick save for his black and very neat moustache, with an energetic and determined mouth and flashing eyes, singularly free from the habit of waste motion." A good anti-waste candidate.

Says a London paper: When Mr. Justice Coleridge put his conundrum, "Is Kensington a suburb?" someone in court might have quoted good authority in the affirmative, for Kensington was the "Old Court Suburb" of Leigh Hunt's anecdotes, and Augustus Hare has said of the road between Hyde-park-corner and Kensington High-street that by it "London has been moving out of town for many years, but has never succeeded in getting into the country." "There was," wrote Miss Thackeray of the earlier Victorian Kensington, "Kensington world somewhat apart from the big uneasy world sordid beyond the turnpike." And if we go back a little further still, we come to the time when the "village" of Kensington was a place to be reached by London citizens only with precautions against highwaymen. "Faith," says a character in an old play. And it's old Court-suburb that you spoke of, is it? Sure an' it's a mighty fine place for the quality." But coming to modern times, if ever the suburbs are authoritatively defined, they would probably be located as that part of Greater London within the Metropolitan Police District, which has a radius 15 miles from Charing-cross, and not included in the 120 square miles within the jurisdiction of the L.C.C. At one time all London outside the City's one square mile was recognised as the suburbs, and in that sense Shakespeare speaks of the suburbs. But if the Royal Commission, about to consider the boundaries of Greater London, extends the jurisdiction of the L.C.C. as anticipated London's suburbs, it would certainly, it would have

## HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE ABOVE COMPANY will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL Pedder Street Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong on WEDNESDAY THE FIRST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1922, AT NOON for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolutions as Extraordinary Resolutions namely:—

- (1) That the Authorised Capital of the Company (which is now \$2,500,000 consisting of 250,000 shares of the nominal value of \$10 each—whereof 219,300 shares have been issued) be increased from \$2,500,000 consisting as aforesaid to \$5,000,000 (consisting of 500,000 shares of the nominal value of \$10 each) by the creation of 250,000 additional shares of the nominal value of \$10 each ranking (subject as hereinafter mentioned) as from date of allotment for dividend and in all other respects *pari passu* with the shares constituting the Company's present issued Capital.
- (2) That 109,650 shares be offered (in the proportion of one new share for every complete number of two old shares held by them respectively) to the persons who on the date of the confirmation of this Resolution as a Special Resolution are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of the said 219,300 shares at a premium of \$5 per share and so that on allotment the nominal amount due in respect of such 109,650 shares plus the said premium of \$5 per share shall be payable as follows:—

| Date of Payment  | Amount payable in respect of the nominal value of each share. | Amount payable in respect of the premium on each share. | Total |
|------------------|---|---|-------|
| 15th March 1922  | \$3   | \$2   | \$5   |
| 15th August 1922 | \$3   | \$2   | \$5   |
| 15th March 1923  | \$4   | \$1   | \$5   |
|                  | \$10  | \$5   | \$15  |

and further that until such time as the said 109,650 shares shall be fully paid up they shall, *vis a vis* the said 219,300 shares, only rank for dividend in proportion to the ratio borne by the amount paid up thereon to the full nominal value (\$10) thereof, and that any of the said 109,650 shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's Shareholders in manner aforesaid be disposed of in such manner as the Company's Board of Directors shall think fit.

(3) That the balance of the shares constituting the Company's unissued Capital be issued at such time or times, in such manner and upon such terms and conditions in every respect as the Company's Board of Directors may decide.

(4) That no Shareholder shall be entitled to any offer of a fraction of an additional share in respect of any odd share held by him.

Should the above Resolutions be passed by the requisite majority, they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a SECOND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING to be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL Pedder Street aforesaid on FRIDAY, THE 17th. DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1922, AT 11 A.M. for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, confirming such Resolutions as Special Resolutions accordingly.

Dated this Twentieth Day of January, 1922.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD, H. N. BEAUREPAIRE, Secretary.

## THE STRIKE SITUATION.

(Continued From Page 1.)

## The Canton Government.

Mr. Eugene Chen, writing to the N. C. D. News regarding the seamen's strike at Hongkong, says:—

"The report that the Government at Canton will in any sense responsible for the seamen's strike at Hongkong is entirely without foundation. If the Government has any interest in the matter, it is to settle the dispute. As long as Hongkong is and continues to be Canton's ocean-gateway, the latter cannot but suffer from any dispute which seriously affects Hongkong as a great shipping centre."

It may be stated that the present relations between Canton and Hongkong are not unfriendly. And there is no reason to doubt that these relations will become more cordial, thanks to the efforts of the British Consul-General at Canton and others interested in the maintenance of good relations between the two places.

"In these circumstances, it is to be regretted that a Japanese news agency, whose reports are not generally accurate, has succeeded in moving one or two incautious persons to write to the foreign press in Shanghai, on the subject of the strike, in a sense reflecting or appearing to reflect on the Government at Canton."

## No Underhand Work.

The N. C. D. News of January 31st says: The news that the ship-owners at Hongkong have agreed to arbitration is welcome, the basis of discussion being, presumably, the new set of terms forwarded by the British Consul-General at Canton. As regards the men's original demands, there are two things to be said. As they stood they would have meant additional running charges of between 10 and 15 thousand dollars a month per ship. It is doubtful whether the trade could have endured such a heavy increase. It would have

meant increased freight charges, which would have entailed a rise in prices and extra cost of living ultimately reacting on the seamen. In this connection the example of British seamen at Home deserves to be noticed, they having recently agreed to a general reduction of wages in all ranks. They realized after consultation with the owners that ships literally could not continue to be run on the former scale of wages. That truth is being accepted in one British branch of industry after another. On the other hand, there is probably a good deal to be said for the Chinese seamen's contention that on their scale of pay, framed several years ago, they could not support their families; and the owners' willingness to go to arbitration on the question of pay implies recognition of the truth of this contention. It appears unnecessary and unfair to accuse the Canton Government of having engineered the strike. The relationships of Canton and Hongkong have been very friendly for many years and the officials on both sides have constantly worked together in matters interesting now one side now the other, in a manner which sets a good example for other districts and discounts suggestions of underhand work in the present trouble.



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| S.S.   | Tons  | From Hongkong (about) | Destination             |
|--------|-------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| NAGOYA | 1,500 | 15th Feb.             | M'les, London & Antwerp |
| DUNERA | 3,400 | 25th Feb.             | S'pore, Colombo & B'bay |

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## EASTERN &amp; AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

| S.S.    | Tons  | From Hongkong (about) | Destination   |
|---------|-------|-----------------------|---|
| EASTERN | 4,000 | 6th Mar.              | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |

## SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI &amp; JAPAN.

| S.S.   | Tons  | From Hongkong (about) | Destination       |
|--------|-------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| TANDA  | 6,958 | 16th Feb.             | Shanghai & Japan. |
| DUNERA | 3,600 | 12th Feb.             | Shanghai only.    |

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## WIRELESS ON ALL STEAMERS.

Passenger's Mailing not more than 21ft. X 11ft. X 11ft. will be received at the Company's Office up to noon on the day previous to sailing.

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| S.S.  | From                | Expected on or about      | Will leave on or about | For   |
|---|---------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|---|
| FUNIMI MARU                                     | Manila              | Wednesday, 8th Feb.       | at 11 a.m.             | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| KATORI MARU                                     | Nagasaki direct     | Saturday, 4th Mar.        | at 11 a.m.             | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| MARSEILLES, LONDON & ROTTERDAM                  | via Singapore, etc. | Saturday, 11th Feb.       | at 11 a.m.             | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| SADO MARU                                       | Manila              | Saturday, 11th Feb.       | at 11 a.m.             | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| KITANO MARU                                     | Manila              | Friday, 17th Feb.         | at 11 a.m.             | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| HAMBURG via LONDON, HULL & ROTTERDAM.           | Manila              | Sunday, 12th February.    |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| MATSUMOTO MARU                                  | Manila              | Sunday, 12th February.    |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| LIVERPOOL, via MARSEILLES.                      | Manila              | Tuesday 17th February.    |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| MALACCA MARU                                    | Manila              | Tuesday 17th February.    |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, etc.             | Manila              | Tuesday, 14th Feb.        | at 11 a.m.             | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| AKI MARU  | Manila              | Tuesday, 14th Feb.        | at 11 a.m.             | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| TANGO MARU                                      | Manila              | Tuesday, 21st Mar.        | at 11 a.m.             | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| NEW YORK VIA PANAMA & CUBAN PORTS.              | Manila              | Wednesday, 22nd February. |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| TAKEUCHI MARU                                   | Manila              | Wednesday, 22nd February. |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| NEW YORK via Suez.                              | Manila              | Wednesday, 22nd February. |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Cape. | Manila              | End of March.             |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| KANAGAWA MARU                                   | Manila              | End of March.             |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo          | Manila              | Friday, 10th Feb.         |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| TOKUSHIMA MARU                                  | Manila              | Friday, 10th Feb.         |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.       | Manila              | Friday, 10th February.    |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| PENANG MARU                                     | Manila              | Friday, 10th February.    |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.                      | Manila              | Friday, 17th Feb.         | at 11 a.m.             | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| TANGO MARU                                      | Manila              | Friday, 17th Feb.         | at 11 a.m.             | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.                      | Manila              | Thursday, 9th Feb.        |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| TOTTORI MARU (Calling Nagasaki)                 | Manila              | Thursday, 9th Feb.        |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |
| CALCUTTA MARU                                   | Manila              | Sunday, 12th Feb.         |                        | Manila, S'kan, Thursday<br>Is. Townsville, Brisbane,<br>Sydney and Melbourne. |

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|-----------|------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------|
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| Tijuwong  | Amoy | in port              |                        | Japan       |
| Tijubodas | Java | in port              |                        | Japan       |
| Tijmanok  | Java | in port              |                        | Japan       |
| Tijkini   | Java | 4th Feb.             |                        | Amoy/S'hai  |
| Samarinda | Java | 7th Feb.             |                        | S'hai/Japan |

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| City of Calcutta   | 10th May                               |

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## OUTWARDS.

| Vessel.         | Due Hongkong.  |
|-----------------|----------------|
| M.V. "GLENAMOY" | 4th February.  |
| "GLENTARA"      | 18th February. |

## HOMEWARDS.

| Vessel.         | Leaves Hongkong.                         | Discharges. |
|-----------------|--|-------------|
| M.V. "GLENAMOY" | 7th Feb. GENOA, L'DON, R'DAM & H'BURG.   |             |
| "GLENTARA"      | 22nd Feb. L'DON, R'DAM, A'WERP & H'BURG. |             |
| "GLENSHANE"     | 23rd Feb. GENOA, M'LES, L'DON & H'BURG.  |             |

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

| Destination         | Steamer   | Sailing                   |
|---------------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| MANILA              | Vuensang  | Thurs. 9th Feb. at 3 p.m. |
| YOKOHAMA & Kobe     | Kwansan   | " " " at 5 p.m.           |
| SHANGHAI            | Walshong  | " " " at 5 p.m.           |
| HAIPHONG via Hoibow | Takang    | " " " at 10 a.m.          |
| BANGKOK             | Chunshang | " " " at 10 a.m.          |
| SANDAKAN            | Mausang   | " " " at noon.            |
| STRAITS & Calcutta  | Fooksang  | " " " at 3 p.m.           |

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## SHIPPING NEWS.

## SHIPPING BOARD BUDGET.

A Washington message of January 18 states:—The House to-morrow will take up the shipping board appropriation bill, carrying \$100,459,000 for next year's expenses. The board announced that it expects to be practically out of debt by July.

## BELFAST SHIPBUILDING.

Messrs. Workman and Clark, Belfast, have received orders from the Commonwealth and Dominion Line to proceed with the completion of their steamers Port Auckland and Port Campbell, the construction of which was suspended early last year. It is also reported that orders have reached Messrs. Harland and Wolff to complete the fitting out of the White Star liner Pittsburgh, 16,000 tons, and 12,000-ton Oryza for the Pacific Navigation Co.

## INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW.

In the House of Commons, Sir J. D. Rees asked the Lord President of the Council whether the International Court of Justice would have jurisdiction in cases of maritime international law, and whether in that event Great Britain will be under the necessity of accepting the findings of a body of international jurists upon questions such as those with which the Declaration of London proposed to deal. Mr. Harcourt replied: The jurisdiction of the permanent Court of International Justice will extend to all cases of maritime international law which are submitted to it by the parties to the dispute. Such submission to the court may be made either by special agreement between the parties relating to the particular dispute in question, or as the result of a general agreement for the reference of such question to the court. Machinery for the reference of all disputes to the court is contained in the optional clause which is attached to the protocol for bringing the statute of the permanent court into existence, and the States, which have signed that optional clause, will be bound to submit to the permanent court their disputes with other States relating to Maritime International Law. The United Kingdom has not signed the optional clause, and therefore so far as the Kingdom is concerned no case relating to Maritime International Law will come before the permanent Court of International Justice unless the Government agree so to refer it. If at any time the Government should agree to refer any particular dispute to the court it will, of course, be necessary to accept the decision which it rendered.

## THE EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA.

The appointment is announced of Capt. Samuel Robinson, R.N.R., as commander of the new Canadian Pacific str. Empress of Australia. Capt. Robinson, who is now on furlough, was in command of the Empress of Russia until last summer when he was succeeded by Capt. W. Dixon-Hopcraft, R.D., R.N.R. Capt. Robinson's career with the Canadian Pacific began in 1895 with the Empress of Japan and he has been on the Empress of China, Ruthenia, Athetian, Montezuma, and Empress of India. During the period of war he commanded the Empress of Russia. The new Empress of Australia, the former German liner Tirpitz, was recently purchased by the Canadian Pacific from the Reparations Commission and named the Empress of China; she has now been re-christened Empress of Australia. The new Empress, it is stated, will be placed in commission some time next spring in Canadian Pacific's service between Vancouver, Victoria and ports in the Orient. She is fitted with Fottinger transformers, and represents the last word in German ship construction as applied to a steamship intended for service in tropical waters. The Empress of Australia is practically a new ship, having been in the builders' hands at the outbreak of war. She is now at Hamburg, being converted by her builders into an oil-burner, after which she will be similar in equipment and standard to the Empress of Britain. A twin-screw steamship of 19,200 gross tons, 390 ft. in length, 78 ft. in breadth and 41.5 in depth, the new Empress of Australia will prove a notable addition to the company's Pacific fleet, which already maintains the quickest time across the Pacific with the world-famous 16,500-ton Empress of Russia and Empress of Japan. She is expected to maintain a speed of 22 knots and will be able to accommodate 1,000 first-class, 1,500 second-class, 1,000 third-class and 1,000 steerage passengers.

## HOW WORKERS FARE IN OTHER LANDS.

## Wages and Cost of Living in Belgium.

[Belgium's remarkable recovery from the devastation of the War is emphasised by facts and figures in the following article. Though an eight-hour day is in operation by legal enactment, exemptions can be secured in certain industries. Regarding wages the general principle adopted is that they should be regulated, as far as circumstances permit, in accordance with the cost of living figures, with a tendency to keep those of the lower paid workers at as high a level as possible. On the whole the Belgian worker enjoys a slightly higher standard of living than he did before the War.]

After protracted discussions, the Belgian Parliament has adopted an eight hours Bill, which came into force on October 1 last. It applies to all industries, and will be extended to commercial employees within a year. Agricultural labour is not included. Certain exemptions are foreseen with regard to seasonal industries, such as sugar factories, upkeep of furnaces, excess of orders, complementary work, rapid repairs required by accidents, or necessary work to avoid the loss of perishable goods. In case of "force majeure" employers are allowed to avail themselves of these exemptions. Under all other circumstances a royal decree must be obtained, after the matter has been referred to the "Council of Industrial Work," including employers and workmen and other expert councillors. Their decision must be made known within two months.

**QUANTITY AND QUALITY.**  
M. Wauters, the Labour Minister, who made himself responsible for the Bill, repeatedly warned his Labour audiences that the country could only reap the advantages of the reduction of hours if the quantity and quality of the output per hour were promptly increased by greater application and improved training. King Albert writing to his Minister on June 14th, reminded the country that it was dependent for its life on its exports. "It is not a question," he wrote, "of a competition between employers and employees. A country like Belgium can only export and pierce the customs frontiers, which are built on every side around it, if the cost of its production is more and more reduced and the value of its produce more and more increased."

## INTENSIVE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION.

In Belgium, more persons are engaged on agriculture than in industry, though, owing to the density of its population, the country is dependent for its livelihood on its exports. The individual production is difficult to estimate because, out of every 100 people engaged on agriculture, 16 only are wage-earners, most of the work being done by small holders and their families. The following figures will give an idea of the intensity of production and of the wonderful way the country has recovered from the agricultural point of view since the Armistice. In 1913, 18,000,000 quintals of cereals were produced, in 1920 nearly 14,000,000. Industrial crops (sugar beet, flax, and so forth) totalled 18,000,000 quintals, in 1913, and rose, in 1920, to 18,000,000, a considerably larger acreage being devoted to this kind of culture owing to the difficulty of importing raw material from abroad. On the other hand root crops show a slight decrease, from 79,000,000 quintals in 1913, to 64,000,000 in 1920. Before the War Belgium had reached the first rank in Europe for the yield per acre, and it is to be hoped that this position will be soon recovered owing to the amount of agricultural labour available.

**SOME STRIKING FIGURES.**  
With regard to industrial output, each industry must be considered separately. In 1913, there were 139,000 miners, and the total coal production was 1,859,000 tons per month giving an average of 13.5 tons per head per month. There are now 159,000 miners producing 1,670,000 tons per month of 23 working days, so that the present production per head per month averages 10.5.

The metal industry is nearly as important, 137,000 persons being employed in 1913 and 135,000 today. The decrease in production is far more considerable, from 399,000 tons (4.3 per head) per month, to 268,000 tons (2.0 per head), but it must be remembered that a great many workers are still engaged on repairs, and that, owing to the present slump,

## SUGGESTIVE OF RUSSIA.



By Marian Hale.

The caracul wrap which is part of this costume is an intriguing thing, smartly enough cut to suggest an almost military line yet distinctly feminine.

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most of them are only employed on part-time.

## "SLUMP" IN TEXTILES.

With regard to textiles, the third great industry of the country (121,000 workers in 1913 and 91,000 in 1921), the output is difficult to ascertain, the total output being estimated by spinning, with regard to cotton and linen, and by weight with regard to wool. The output of cotton was, in 1913, equivalent to the production of 1,492,000 spindles working 54 hours a week (the production of each spindle per week being calculated at 825 grammes of cotton). At present 700,000 spindles only are in use. A similar decrease is noticeable with regard to linen, the number of spindles having dropped from 373,111 in 1913 to 270,000 in the last few months. These figures, however, were taken after the slump, and it should be pointed out that the number of spindles in operation had previously nearly reached pre-war figures.

## DECLINE IN WAGES.

As far as mines are concerned, the standard of wages was fixed by a mixed national commission in July, 1920. According to this convention, six weeks' must elapse before a modification in the index number affects wages. In 1913 these wages varied from 0.30 per hour for labourers to 0.50 francs for skilled men. In 1920, the cost of living having increased 377 per cent. (the index number being then 477), the wages were from 1.75 francs to 2.40 francs per hour. Since then several reductions of 5 per cent. have occurred in accordance with the decline of the index number, the latter being 434 in February, 1921, the average daily wage was brought down from 25.64 francs to 24.36 francs. Similar decline in the index number to 411 in March and 389 in May brought about corresponding reductions in wages. 23.14 francs being the average in April and 21.98 francs in June. A further reduction of 3 per cent. occurred in August.

The wages in the metal industry experienced similar reductions, though there is a general tendency not to diminish the wages of the lowerpaid workmen. Thus in the nail-making and wire-drawing factories of the Charleroi district wages of 2.50 francs per hour have not been reduced, while those of 4 and 5 francs have been reduced 6 and 7 per cent. A new reduction of 10 per cent. was contemplated in June, but was opposed by the workmen. A compromise was made allowing slightly better wages and conditions generally.

## HIGHER LIVING STANDARD.

The average wages for the textile industry showed an increase of 430 per cent. on pre-war days in 1920. In the cotton industry this increase was only 300, the highest skilled workman receiving 187 francs per week, as compared with 44 francs in 1914. Since then several decreases have taken place, reducing wages 13 per cent.

for unskilled men and 20 per cent. on part-time.

Though, on the whole, wages have been adapted to the increase in the cost of living and are gradually reduced according to the decline of the index number, the Belgian workers have the benefit of a slight margin. On the other hand, the standard of living has been considerably altered by the war. This has been especially conspicuous in housing, many people being reluctant to go back to pre-war conditions with regard to overcrowding. This difficulty is, to a great extent, overcome by the general practice of Belgian workers taking advantage of cheap railway rates to live outside the towns they work in, the country within a radius of ten miles becoming the dormitory of the labourers. For the small sum of three the workman can travel to and fro for a week a distance of 10 miles. He may rent his own cottage and cultivate his day's work. This affords him better housing conditions and allows him to bring up his family in healthy surroundings.

## THE UNEMPLOYED.

Generally speaking, the importance of agricultural labour and the constant contact between town and country is a dominating factor in the labour conditions of Belgium. Though only a small number go back to agriculture after having been accustomed to the higher wages of the town, the densely populated countryside constitutes a reserve of health and energy from which the industry of the country may draw its workers.

At the time of the Armistice there were nearly 1,000,000 men out of work in Belgium, while 3,500,000 people were more or less dependent on relief. Six months after, the unemployed only numbered 200,000 and by September, 1920, the number of out-of-workers belonging to unemployment insurance societies had been reduced to 6,864. Immediately after this date the world trade depression began to affect Belgium, and the number of registered unemployed rose rapidly till it reached 210,681 in March, 1921. It is now again reduced to 130,000.

## MONEY IN BUTTER.

It was stated recently in the Federal House of Representatives that the Australian dairymen have been having the time of their lives. The final dividend on the result of the Commonwealth Dairy Pools for 1918-19, 1919-1920 would seem to confirm that partly reference to the prosperity of the Australian dairy farmer, whose fields again are green under a generous winter with alternating sunshine and abundant rains. The total amount to be distributed is £146,300, of which £53,315 goes to Victoria, £55,625 to New South Wales, £26,364 to Queensland, £7,912 to South Australia, and £2,684 to the island State of Tasmania.

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| 1/2 Singapore     | 110     |
| 1/2 Japan         | 115 1/2 |
| 1/2 India         | 194     |
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| 1/2 San Francisco | 54 1/2  |
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| 30 d/s. San Francisco & New York | 57 1/2    |
| 4 m/s. Marks                     | Nom.      |
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| 5 m/s. France                    | 7.30      |
| Demand, Germany                  | 54 1/2    |
| Demand, New York                 | 54 1/2    |
| 1/2 Bombay                       | Nom.      |
| Demand, Bombay                   | 194       |
| 1/2 Calcutta                     | Nom.      |
| Demand, Calcutta                 | 194       |
| 1/2 Yokohama                     | 115 1/2   |
| Demand, Manila                   | 113       |
| Demand, Singapore                | 110       |
| Demand, Batavia                  | 148       |
| 1/2 Haiphong                     | Nom.      |
| On Saigon                        | —         |
| On Bangkok                       | 82        |
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over the Sea of Japan.  
Moderate monsoon and fog may  
be expected along the S. and S.E.  
Coasts of China.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24  
hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day,  
0.00 inch. Total since January  
1st. 2.74 inches, against an  
average of 1.83 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS  
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Hongkong to Gap  
E. winds,  
moderate;  
fair at first,  
fog later.

2 Formosa Channel  
The same  
as No. 1.

## METEOROLOGICAL.

| Previous Day               |              | on date |      |
|----------------------------|--------------|---------|------|
| Barometer                  | 30.17        | 30.13   | 30.0 |
| Temperature                | 61           | 59      | 60   |
| Humidity                   | 69           | 79      | 70   |
| Wind Direction             | E. S.E. E.S. |         |      |
| Wind Force                 | 4            | 4       | 4    |
| Weather                    | c            | o       |      |
| Rain                       | 0.00         | 0.00    | 0.0  |
| Highest open air           |              |         |      |
| Temperature on the 5th     |              |         |      |
| Lowest open air            |              |         |      |
| Temperature on the 6th     |              |         |      |
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